What is it that I seek?
Perhaps it is a knight from a faraway land
What is it that I seek?
Perhaps it is a shore that will save me from an eternal swamp
There is only one thing that I seek
What I would obtain would either be the share or my death
Frederika Bernkastel

Summer, year 60 of Showa
DRIP
DRIP
KILLED?
FROM THE INVESTIGATION WE FOUND THAT...
YEAH...
NEAR THE DONATION BOX AT THE SHRINE
THAT CAN'T BE...

SHE HAS BEEN TORN INSIDE OUT, ALIVE
HER LUNGS SCATTERED ALL OVER THE PLACE

IT WAS SO HORRIBLE IT WAS HARD TO BELIEVE IT HAD BEEN DONE BY HUMAN HANDS

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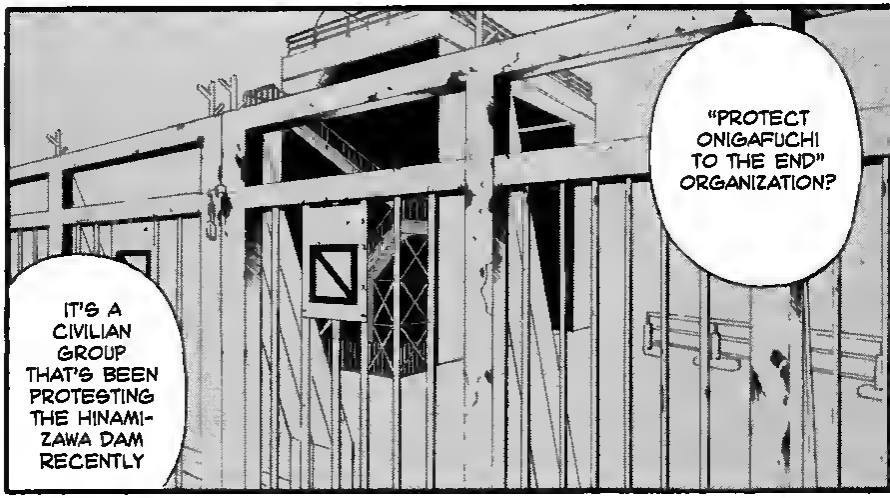
07th Expansion presents Welcome to Hinamizawa
WHEN THEY CRY

Showa year 53
DAMN... RUNNING THAT WAY?
UGH!
AKASAKA, I LEAVE THAT TO YOU!
DON'T SAY THAT LIKE IT'S SO EA...
LEAVE THIS TO ME, HUH?

...SY!
HEY, AKASAKA
HAA ...
SO BUSY I CAN'T EVEN GO TO THE HOSPITAL
SORTIE CALL FROM HQ
HEAD-QUAR-TERS?

...BECAUSE OF THAT, WE, THE NATIONAL SECURITY SERVICE...
Victim
Inukai Toshiki
–NSF headquarters–
WE STILL DON'T KNOW THEIR TRUE INTENTIONS
THERE'S A HIGH PROBABILITY THAT SOME ORGANIZATION IS BEHIND IT
HAS CONCLUDED THAT MINISTER OF CONSTRUCTION INUKAI'S GRANDCHILD WAS ABDUCTED AROUND 48 HOURS AGO
PLEASE DO THE INVES-TIGATON THAT YOU'VE BEEN ASSIGNED TO ACCORDINGLY
THIS CASE WILL BE TOP SECRET AND WILL BE KNOWN ONLY TO THE ONES IN THIS ROOM

*NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

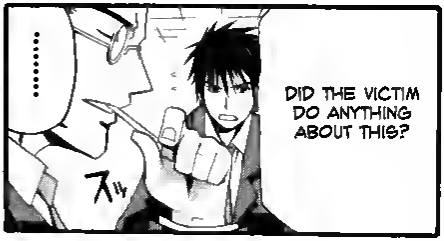


THAT ORGANIZATION IS FROM HINAMIZAWA AND THEY ARE VERY UNITED
LOTS OF CHARGES BUT VERY FEW CON-VICTIONS, AREN'T THERE?
EXTORTION ... VIOLENCE ... ARSON ...

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS, SIR?
EVEN THE ONES WE CATCH ON A SCENE WON'T TESTIFY AGAINST ANYONE
ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS WILL HAVE NO WITNESSES
...IT MEANS EVERYTHING IN THE VILLAGE IS TIGHTLY CONCEALED
THEY CAN EVEN MAKE FALSE EVIDENCE SO IT BECOMES A "PERFECT CRIME"
TO PROTECT THE CULPRIT EVERYONE IN THE VILLAGE WILL PREPARE WHAT THEY WILL SAY

IN THAT ORGANIZATION, LOTS OF THEM HAVE QUITE A POWER
SO THE AUTHORITY DON'T WANNA MESS WITH THEM MUCH, THAT HINAMIZAWA

EVEN WHEN WE SUED THEM, WE LOST BECAUSE OF A LACK OF EVIDENCE
WE'RE PURSUING THEM NOW ONLY BECAUSE IT REGARDS THE MINISTER
YOU'VE GOTTA BE KID-DING...


DID THE VICTIM DO ANYTHING ABOUT THIS?
.....

AND THAT MEANS THEIR DEFENCES ARE FLAWLESS

YOU'VE BEEN AMBUSHED IN HINAMIZAWA
LET'S SAY...

WHATEVER THE RESULT TURNS OUT TO BE
THAY ALL SAY "NOTHING HAPPENED"

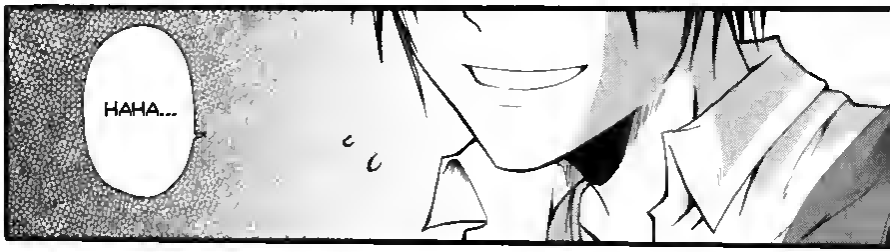
YES SIR !!
IT'S MY COP SENSE. IT'S FINE IF IT TURNS OUT TO BE NOTHING
AND I DON'T THINK THIS ABDUCTION HAS ANY-THING TO DO WITH THEM

I PUT A LITTLE SHOW IN THE LAST ONE
HAHA! DON'T BE SO TENSE!

ブオオオオオ…
県営バス
DOES AN OUTSIDER LOOK THAT STRANGE TO THEM?
……
Ukita aqueduct, Hinamizawa

SO THIS IS HINAMIZAWA
LOOKS PEACEFUL DESPITE WHAT I HEARD
I CAN'T BELIEVE ...

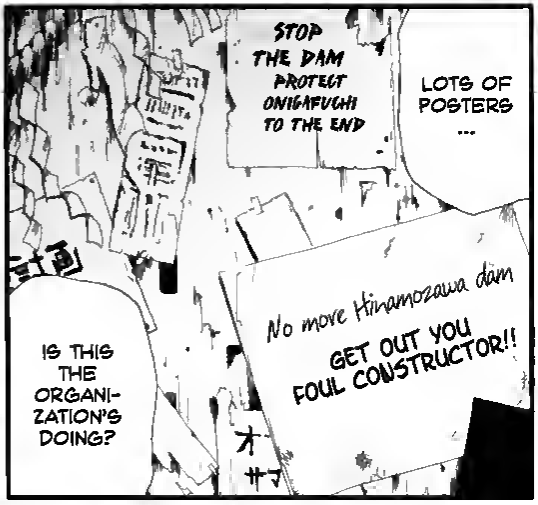
...THAT THIS PEACEFUL VILLAGE WAS PLANNING THE ABDUCTION


HAHA...

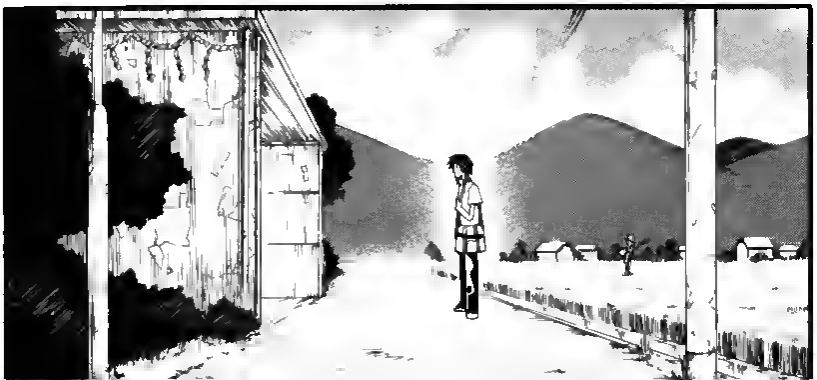
MY, THAT CHIEF INSPECTOR
EVEN SENDING ME BY TRAIN TO CHECK THIS REMOTE VILLAGE, AS IF IT'S REALLY THAT SUSPICIOUS
!

IS THIS A BUS STOP?
DAM PROTESTS

THE GUIDE SHOULD BE HERE, I CALLED HIM ALREADY

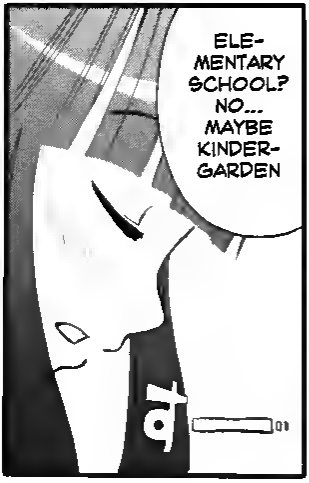

STOP THE DAM PROTECT ONIGAFUCHI TO THE END
LOTS OF POSTERS ...
No more Hinamozawa dam
GET OUT YOU FOUL CONSTRUCTOR!!
IS THIS THE ORGANI-ZATION'S DOING?

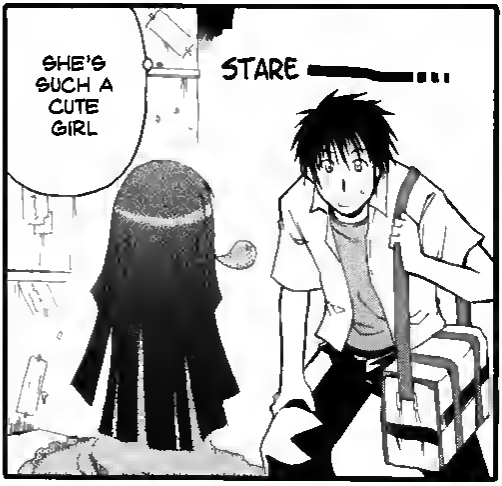
Amidst the threatening atmosphere of protesting posters
It's like they allowed only this girl to sit amongst them



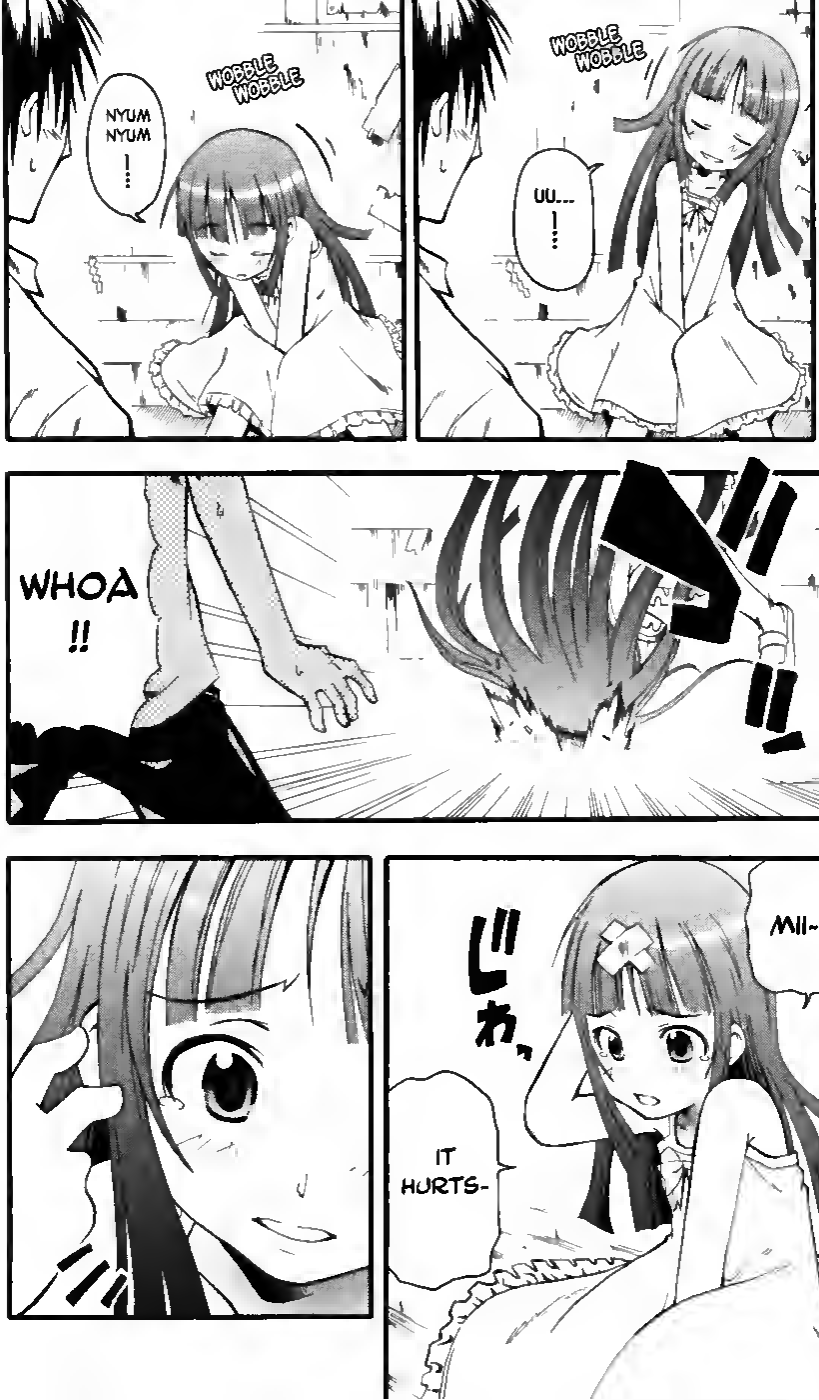
DON'T TELL ME...
IS THIS GIRL THE GUIDE?

NOD NOD
NOD NOD
BUT...


ELE-MENTARY SCHOOL? NO... MAYBE KINDER-GARDEN


SHE'S SUCH A CUTE GIRL
STARE

I WANT HER TO CALL ME DADDY
IF I HAD A GIRL THIS CUTE FOR A DAUGHTER ...
UH...
UMM?


NYUM NYUM !!!
WOBBLE WOBBLE
UU... !!
WOBBLE WOBBLE
WHOA !!
じわ、
IT HURTS-
MII~

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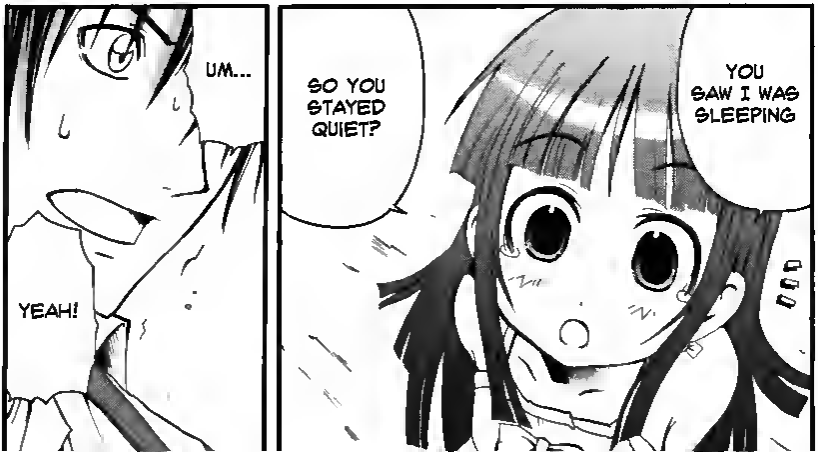
I'M NOT PEEPING OR ANYTHING!!

AKASAKA ...

I... I'M NOT A SUSPICIOUS PERSON!!
MY NAME IS AKASAKA!


UM...
YEAH!
SO YOU STAYED QUIET?
YOU SAW I WAS SLEEPING

Thank you very much!
CUTE!!
C...
ARE YOU AKASAKA-SAN?

SORRY, I'M LATE
?
YOU LOOK RED, YOU GOT A FEVER?
AH... I'M FINE
SUCH A BLESSING ...
?
ISN'T THAT RIKA-CHAN!?
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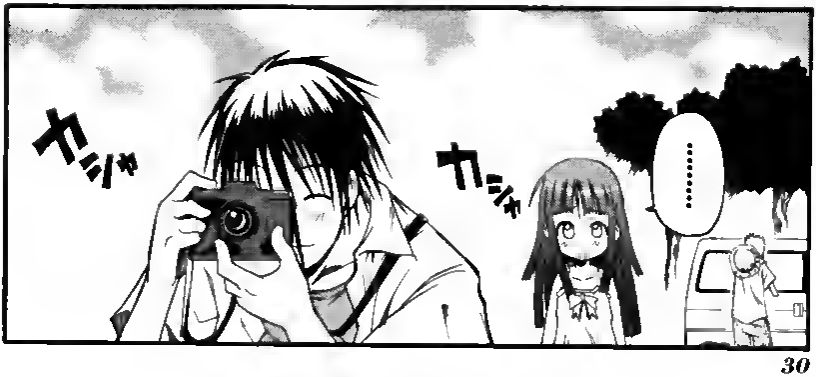
I'VE BEEN ASKED BY THIS YOUNG MAN WHO WANTS TO TAKE A TOUR AROUND OUR VILLAGE
NO, NO
IS MAKINO GOING TO WORK?
UM... YES I HEARD THIS VILLAGE HAS BEAUTIFUL SCENERY
AND I LIKE TAKING PHOTOS, TOO
ARE YOU A TRAVELLING YOUNG MAN?
ドキッ
HUH ?!
I WANT TO GO WITH AKASAKA TOO
MAKINO

CAN WE TAKE THIS GIRL WITH US?
AH...
MII?
UH... WE'RE NOT DOING ANYTHING FUN
TO HAVE SOMEONE TO ACCOMPANY ME WOULD BE BETTER THAN GOING ALONE
BOTH OF YOU, JUMP IN!
CAN'T BE HELPED, THEN
だき
MII~!

UM...
CAN I CALL YOU RIKA-CHAN?
SURE!
I CAN ALREADY COUNT!
HA HA
THAT'S GREAT
MY NAME IS FURUDE RIKA!!
I DON'T NEED TO COUNT WITH MY FINGERS!
I DO IT IN MY MIND!

THIS WILL MAKE MY JOB MORE FUN AND RELAXING!!
SUCH AN AMAZING GIRL...
STAYING WITH HER MAKES ME FORGET ALL THE INVESTI-GATION WORK
NOW...
LET'S ROLL!
LET'S ENJOY THE NATURE
OF HINAMI-ZAWA!!

BEAUTI-
FUL...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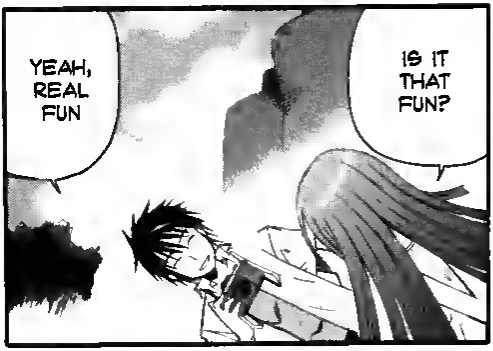
YEAH, REAL FUN
IS IT THAT FUN?

AKASAKA IS WEIRD ...
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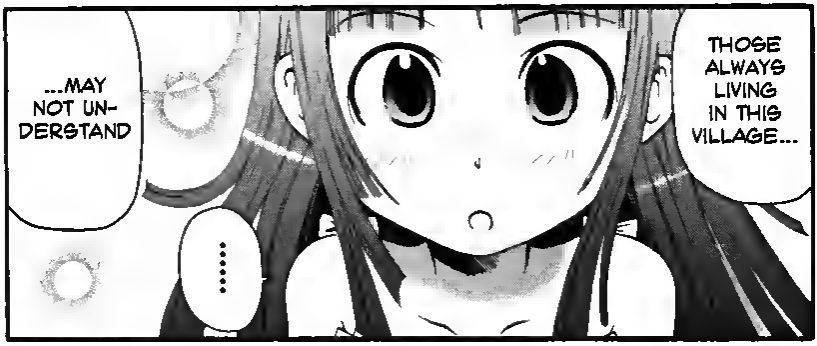
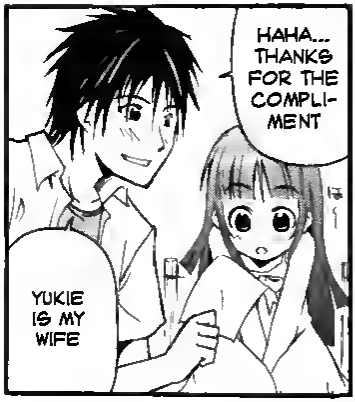
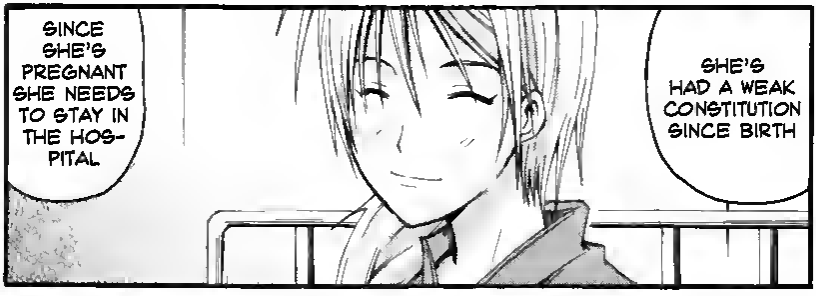

...MAY NOT UN-DERSTAND
.....
THOSE ALWAYS LIVING IN THIS VILLAGE...

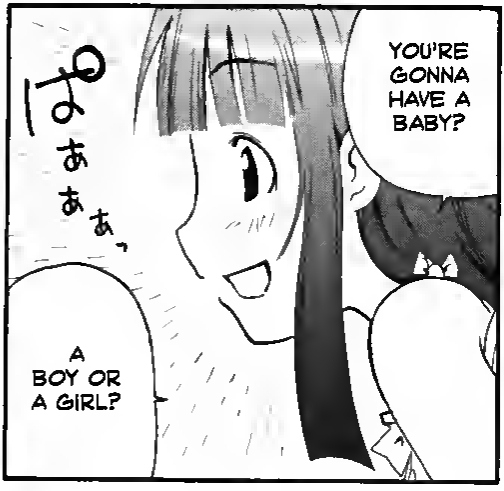
I REALLY WANT YUKIE TO SEE THIS...
THIS BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE...


HAHA... THANKS FOR THE COMPLI-MENT
YUKIE IS MY WIFE

SHE'S BEAUTIFUL ...


SINCE SHE'S PREGNANT SHE NEEDS TO STAY IN THE HOS-PITAL
SHE'S HAD A WEAK CONSTITUTION SINCE BIRTH

I STILL DON'T KNOW
BUT I'D WANT TO HAVE A GIRL


YOU'RE GONNA HAVE A BABY?
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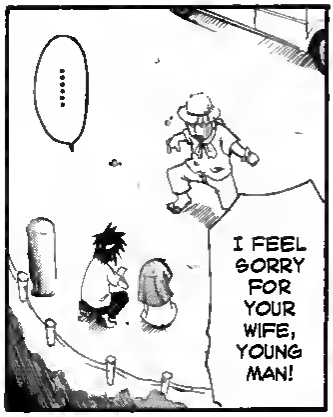
A BOY OR A GIRL?

I'LL BE REALLY HAPPY IF SHE'S BORN AS CUTE AS YOU

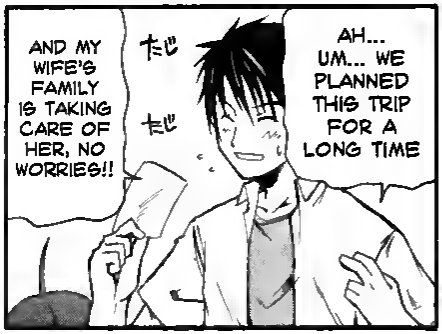
AND I'LL COME WITH OUR KIDS!!

WHEN YUKIE GETS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL I'LL BRING HER HERE FOR SURE

THIS IS BAD!!


.....
I FEEL SORRY FOR YOUR WIFE, YOUNG MAN!

YOU LEAVE HER AND COME PLAYING AROUND?!
EVEN WITH SUCH DELIGHFUL EVENTS AT HAND ...


AND MY WIFE'S FAMILY IS TAKING CARE OF HER, NO WORRIES!!
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AH... UM... WE PLANNED THIS TRIP FOR A LONG TIME

OH SHIT...
I WAS TOO OPTIMISTIC

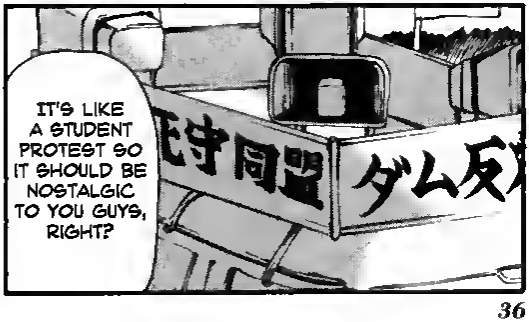
THOUGHT I WAS A GONER... CAN'T MAKE THEM SUSPICIOUS
WELL, THEN THAT'S FINE...
ﾌｰ...

IS IT ALREADY TIME FOR THE HIGURASHI TO SING?
OH...
PLEASE COME TO MY HOUSE
AKA-SAKA
THEN, LASTLY, I'LL SHOW YOU SOME GREAT PLACES
I saw this name in the documents
FURUDE SHRINE ...
IT'S FURUDE SHRINE OVER THAT HILL. IT HAS A REALLY NICE VIEW!
GREAT PLACES... YOU MEAN RIKA-CHAN'S HOUSE?

Stronghold of "Protect Onigafuchi to the End"
PROTECT ONIGAFUCHI TO THE END
NO DAM
ダム反対
PROTECT ONIGAFUCHI TO THE END
NO DAM
ダム反対

IS THIS SHRINE THE HEADQUARTER OF THE RESISTANCE?
ダム反対

...NO


IT'S LIKE A STUDENT PROTEST SO IT SHOULD BE NOSTALGIC TO YOU GUYS, RIGHT?
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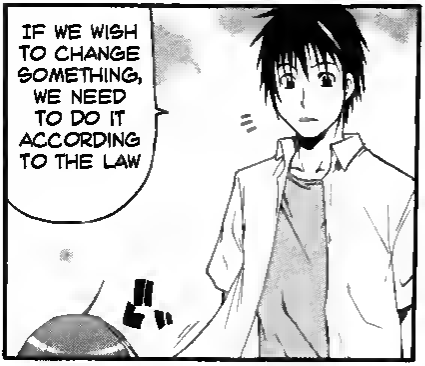
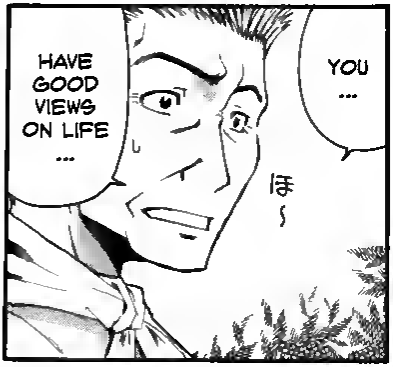
I'M HAVEN'T PRACTICED RESISTANCE
USING FORCE TO OPPOSE THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT SOMETHING I CAN AGREE WITH
雛見沢


IF WE WISH TO CHANGE SOMETHING, WE NEED TO DO IT ACCORDING TO THE LAW


YOU ...
HAVE GOOD VIEWS ON LIFE ...
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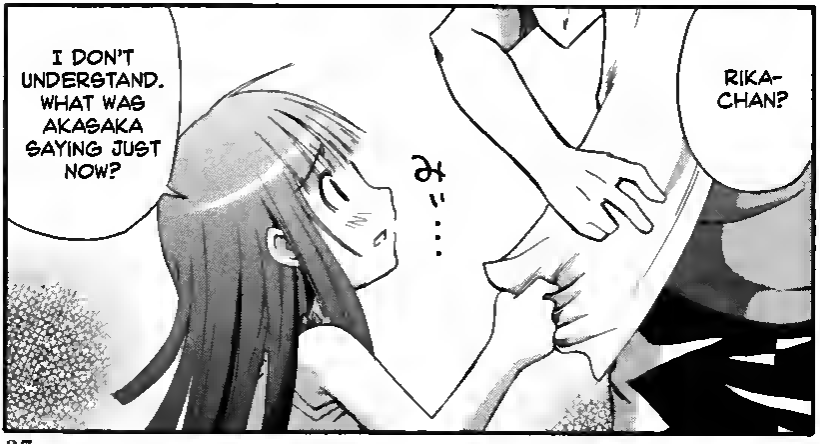

I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT WAS AKASAKA SAYING JUST NOW?
み…
RIKA-CHAN?

JAPAN IS A PEACEFUL COUNTRY
WHAT I WANT TO SAY IS THAT WE MUSTN'T RESORT TO VIOLENCE
TOO DIFFICULT FOR RIKA-CHAN, HUH?
NO DAM
THEN, AKASAKA ...
PRO-TECT HINA-MIZAWA, STOP CONS-
ABOUT MY VIL-LAGE...
HOW CAN YOU STOP IT FROM SINKING UNDER-WATER?

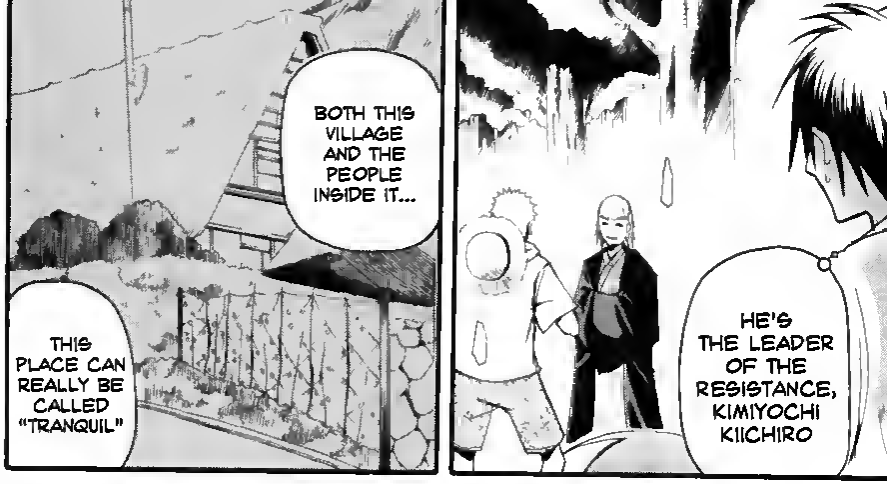
WE ONLY HAVE THIS PLACE!
RIKA-CHAN...
WE CAN'T STAY IN THE CITY
That's right...

I SAID IT WITHOUT THINKING ...
NO DAM PLO-TECT HINI-MIZAWA STOP CONST-RUC-TION
For those in this village this incident is vital
NO DAM
DON'T TAKE IT TOO SERI-OUSLY
HA HA...
I'M VERY SORRY
I'M JUST AN OUTSIDER BUT I SAID IT LIKE THAT...
IF THEY RECOGNIZE THIS, THE CONSTRUC-TION WILL BE CANCELLED, RIGHT?
WELL, PLEASE TELL THE OTHERS ABOUT MAGNIFICENT HINAMIZAWA EXPERIENCE

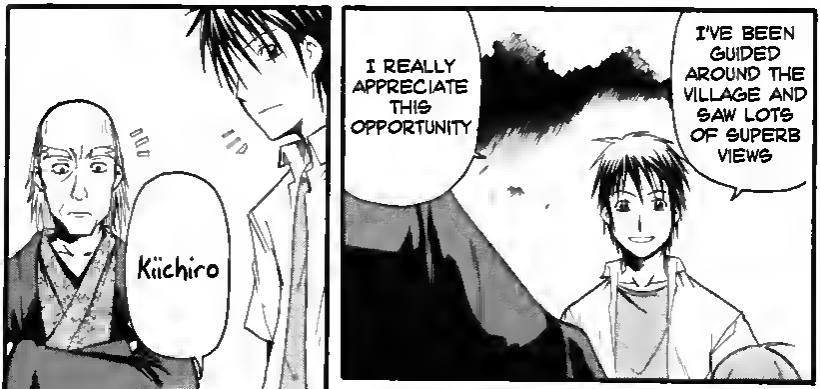
UP THE HILL!
THERE'S A REALLY NICE VIEW THERE, I TELL YA
OKAY!! TOO MUCH OF THE SERIOUS STUFF!!
"WHAT-EVER THE RESULT TURNS OUT TO BE"
RIKA-CHAN'S HOUSE, FURUDE SHRINE
AND THE RESIS-TANCE'S HEADQU-ARTERS
THEY ALL SAY "NOTHING HAPPENED"

THIS IS MY HOUSE!!
HAHA~!
QUITE DISAP-POINTING ...
YADA YADA
DO~N
.....
IT'S JUST A LOCAL GATHERING-PLACE
RIKA-CHAA-AAAN~~

BUT THIS IS MY HOME~
HA HA~
A HA HA
TIME FOR KIDS TO GO HOME!
YES... AND HERE'S OUR VILLAGE CHIEF
IS THAT THE TRAVELLER WHO CALLED US ON THE PHONE?
MAKINO-SAN
!
CHIEF KIMIYOCHI OF HINAMIZAWA
HOW'S THE TRIP YOUNG LADS
QUIET AND PEACEFUL PLACE, HUH?
HO HO


BOTH THIS VILLAGE AND THE PEOPLE INSIDE IT...
THIS PLACE CAN REALLY BE CALLED "TRANQUIL"
HE'S THE LEADER OF THE RESISTANCE, KIMIYOCHI KIICHIRO

RIGHT
AT LEAST THIS VILLAGE COULD NOT HAVE ANY ORGANIZED CRIME HIDDEN INSIDE


I'VE BEEN GUIDED AROUND THE VILLAGE AND SAW LOTS OF SUPERB VIEWS
I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY
Kiichiro

ALRIGHT, HAVE A SAFE TRIP!
I WANT TO SHOW AKASAKA A GOOD VIEW
AKASAKA!! THIS WAY!!
WAIT!! RIKA-CHAN!!
WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME...!!
!?

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
HOW CAN THEY SINK SUCH A BEAUTIFUL VILLAGE...

THIS IS THE PLACE I LIKE THE MOST!!
.....

AMAZING ...

IT WON'T SINK
THE CONSTRUC-TION WILL BE CANCELLED
WILL BE CANCELLED
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?...
IT MEANS WHAT IT IMPLIES
IT IS DESTINED TO HAPPEN

THE CONSTRUCTION WILL STILL BE CANCELLED THIS YEAR
WHETHER AKASAKA DOES OR DOESN'T DO ANYTHING...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?...
WH...

AKASAKA ...

GO BACK TO TOKYO

I remember I said nothing about coming from Tokyo
カナカナ...
SOON...
YOU WILL REGRET COMING TO THIS VILLAGE
WH... WHY?
IT WILL BE YOUR BIGGEST SORROW AND WOE
YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED

QUESTION AFTER QUESTION...
YOU ARE ANNOYING !!!
No...
THEY CHOSE TO PULL YOU BACK FIRST, RIGHT?
ﾌﾌ
WHEN YOU WERE A KID AND YOU STEPPED INTO THE STREET AT A RED LIGHT
DID YOUR PARENTS EXPLAIN FIRST, THEN PULL YOU BACK?

The girl I know doesn't talk like this
I DID WARN YOU
BUT DON'T BE MISTAKEN
I SAID THIS NOT BECAUSE I HATE YOU
BECAUSE THERE'S NO NEED TO WARN ONE ABOUT TO DIE ABOUT DANGER, RIGHT?
WHO ...
...ARE YOU?

I AM YOUR FEAR

And this starts the mysterious case of Hinamizawa

2 MAHJONG KNIGHT

HOTEL

Akasaka-san, you have penalty calls
YES, PATCH ME IN!!

DAMN... TIME TO MAKE A REPORT?

Akasaka-kun, It's Kano
SORRY!! I OVER-SLEPT.

I VISITED HINAMIZAWA AS A TOURIST.
I ALSO CONTACTED SOME PEOPLE WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION. I HAVE A MEETING WITH THEM TOMORROW, TOO.
How's the investigation going?
You must be tired, then I won't kick your butt because of your late report.
.....
Did those Hinamizawans have any connection with the abduction?
What do you think?
Your innocent look is quite useful, really.
Good job.
HAHA.
.....

Rika-chan!!
KU KU KU..
KU KU KU..
……
RI……
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カァ
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カァ..

Mii?
.....
JUST NOW...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN... "GO BACK TO TOKYO"?

*Japanese sweets.

I'M GONNA MUNCHMUNCH YOUR SHARE OF MANJU !
IF YOU DON'T HURRY..

She's back to the normal Rika-chan
たったった
The girl with that smiling face...

AH.
THEY WILL MOVE AT 5 P.M. IF YOU CAN COME OVER AROUND 3 I'LL BE REALLY HAPPY!
OH, MAYBE.
WILL AKASAKA COME AGAIN TOMORROW?

Please come!
GO BACK TO TOKYO.
Is that only my delusion?

Akasaka-kun...
.....

Really ? Tomorrow will be the 4th day.
I CAN'T SAY ANY-THING FOR CERTAIN
.....

YESSIR. I WILL CONTINUE THE INVESTI-GATION AS BEST AS I CAN.
I remind you again to be careful.
There is no deadline obviously, but
-when time passes, we're more in trouble, you know?

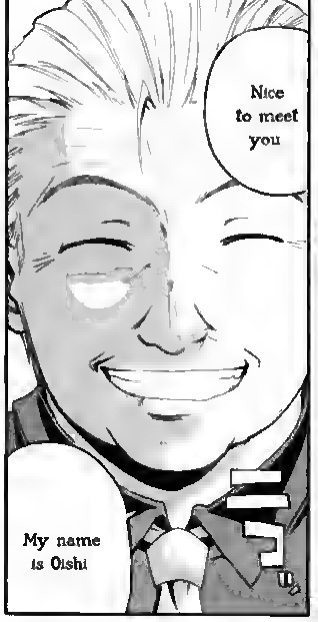
SOME-ONE?
?
And there's someone I want you to meet.

THIS IS GETTING LATE...

We contacted a detective who is very knowledgeable about Hanamizawa for you
EVEN IF THE CHIEF SAYS SO...

!
ARE YOU AKASAKA-SAN?

WHY DO I HAVE TO COME THIS FAR?
HE'S JUST A DETECTIVE FROM OKINOMIYA PRECINT IN THE NEXT CITY.


Nice to meet you
My name is Oishi

ARE YOU LOST?
SORRY FOR BRINGING YOU SO FAR.

OH— SO WE'RE USING THAT STORY?
YEP, I'M NOW INSPECTING HINAMIZAWA.

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I'M AKASAKA MAMORU NICE TO MEET YOU
YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE OF THE COMPLAINTS FROM THEM YESTERDAY, RIGHT?

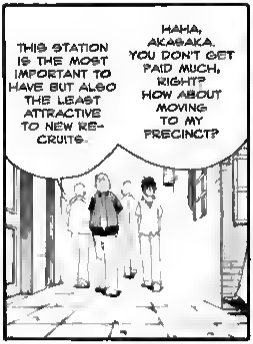
THAT'S HOW IT IS, IN HINAMIZAWA ESPECIALLY THE SONOZAKIS EVEN HAVE POWER WITHIN OKINOMIYA.
HA HA
I CAN'T TALK MUCH IF WE MEET AT THE PRECINT

MAYBE YOU CAN REMEMBER ALL THE NAMES OF THE HEADS IN THIS ORGANIZATION?
HAHA, YOU'VE DONE YOUR HOMEWORK!!

SONOZAKI.. LEADER OF THE ORGANIZATION?
AND ALSO THE ONE SUPPLYING THEM?

FUNDS COME FROM SONOSAKI (RYO), ACCOUNTANT IS MAKINO.
HEAD CHARGING SQUAD IS KIMIYOSHI (YOSHI)
AND HEAD INTEL IS SONOZAKI (SADA)

PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION IS KIMIYOSHI ICHIRO. VICE PRESIDENT IS FURUDE-SAN.


HAHA, AKABAKA. YOU DON'T GET PAID MUCH, RIGHT? HOW ABOUT MOVING TO MY PRECINCT?
THIS STATION IS THE MOST IMPORTANT TO HAVE BUT ALSO THE LEAST ATTRACTIVE TO NEW RECRUITS.

NOT ONLY NAMES
BUT I ALSO INVESTIGATED SOME OF THEIR BACKGROUNDS.

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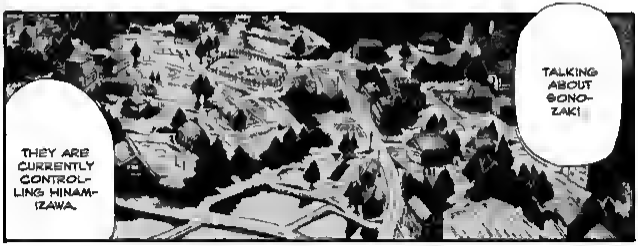
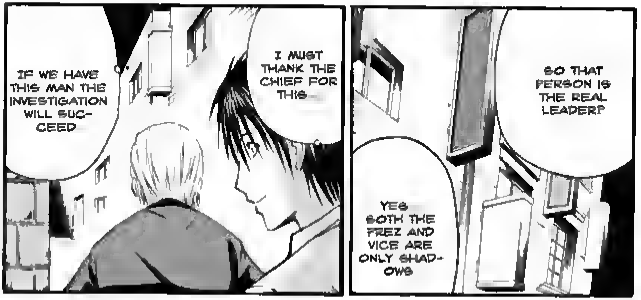
..AND THE HEAD OF INTEL IS SONOZAKI (TADA)

I'M A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED THOUGH..
THE HEAD OF THE CHARGING SQUAD IS SONOZAKI (SADA)


TALKING ABOUT SONOZAKI
THEY ARE CURRENTLY CONTROLLING HINAMIZAWA.

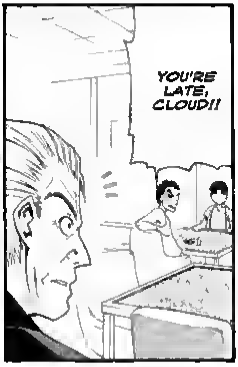
THEIR LEADER IS AN OLD BAG CALLED SONOZAKI ORYO.
THEY HAVE SUCH STRONG CONNECTIONS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE HINAMIZAWA THAT EVEN THE POLITICIANS DON'T MESS WITH THEM.


I MUST THANK THE CHIEF FOR THIS...
IF WE HAVE THIS MAN THE INVESTIGATION WILL SUCCEED
SO THAT PERSON IS THE REAL LEADER?
YES BOTH THE FREZ AND VICE ARE ONLY SHADOWS

WELL...
LET'S TALK ABOUT WORK AFTER SOME GAMBLING, OKAY?
Gambling?
OISHI-SAN, I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO ASK YOU.

Mahjong club?

DAMN! I NEARLY LOST MY PATIENCE HERE!!
SORRY FOR WAITING.


YOU'RE LATE, CLOUD!!

HAH.

HE'S STRAIGHT FROM TOKYO. A REALLY PROMISING YOUNG LAD HE IS.
MAY I INTRODUCE YOU TO AKASAKA-SAN?

HA
HA
LET'S HAVE SOME FUN TONIGHT.
WELL... YOU'RE TIRED FROM THE TRIP, RIGHT?
O... OISHI-SAN, WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING?
...Night life?
N...
ARE WE PLAYING WITH BETS?
CAN I ASK YOU SOME STUPID QUESTIONS?
DON'T WORRY, THERE'S NO BETS.
JUST DECIDING WHO WILL PAY AT THE NEXT STOP, THAT'S ALL.

And if we win
IT ABSO-LUTELY MUST BE THE BUNNY CAFE!!
IF I WIN...
WE WILL GO TO THE BLOOMERS MAID CAFE!!

I must stop them some how!!
If this goes on I will be caught in the flow
WOHO HOHO!!
WAHA HAHA!!
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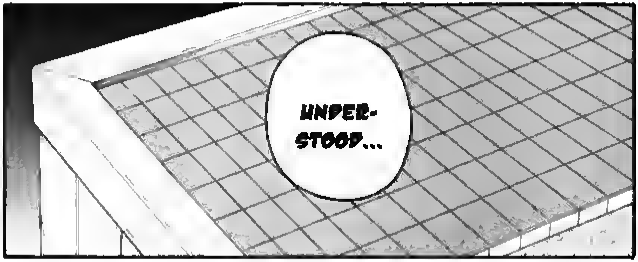
UNDER-STOOD...

YOUNGSTERS THESE DAYS PREFER MORE EXTREME METHODS, HUH?
AKABAKA ISN'T SATIS-FIED WITH BUNNY-CHAN AND MAID-CHAN?
whisper whisper
DAMN THESE GUYS!!

BUT IF I WIN, I WON'T ASK FOR ECCHI STUFF...
BUT GETTING BACK TO WORK IMMEDI-ATELY. GOT IT?
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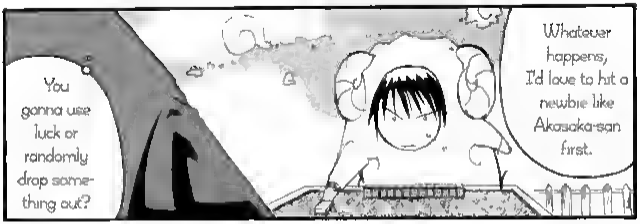
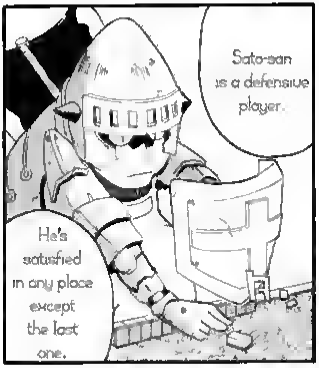
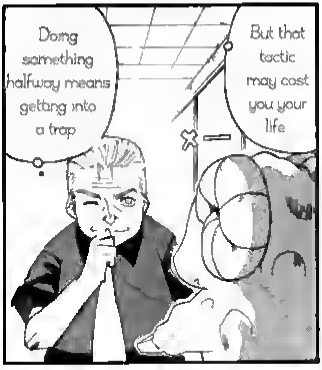
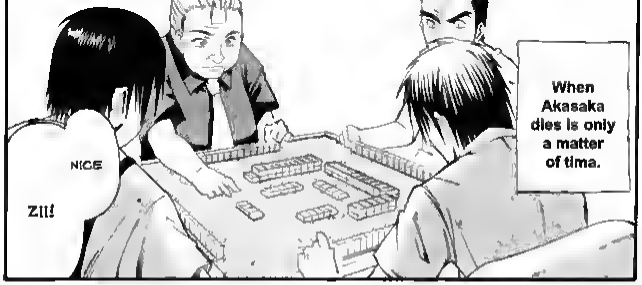
GOTCHA!! REED!!
Only Reed can't waver the old man and Sato-san
hehehe~
Akasaka.. drop me some fortune!!
DANGER-OUS FACE YOU GOT THERE, CLOUD. YOU GONNA PASS?
YEAH, SORRY FOR THAT~
YOU'LL PASS?

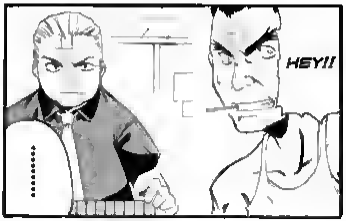

You gonna use luck or randomly drop something out?
Whatever happens, I'd love to hit a newbie like Akasaka-san first.


Sato-san is a defensive player.
He's satisfied in any place except the last one.


Doing something halfway means getting into a trap
But that tactic may cost you your life

If he sees an opening, Akasaka will get beheaded
But the old man loves surprise attacks and messing up the plans of others.


When Akasaka dies is only a matter of time.
NICE
ZII!


HEY!!
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ARE YOU ZII?
SORRY THEN, I'LL DO PONG!!

Game-breaking Pong??
Pong after Zii...

THAT'S IT.
HUH?

YOU'RE NOT AN AMATEUR AFTER ALL...
THAT'S NOT IT.
DON'T SAY IT LIKE I'M SOME KIND OF GAMBLER'S KING.

HLONG!!
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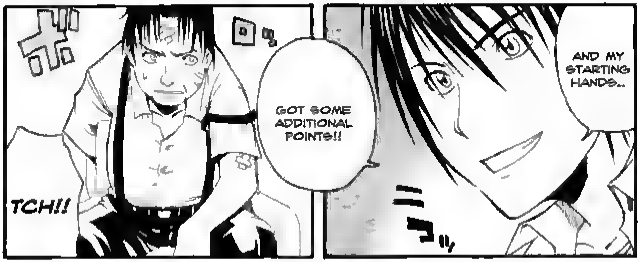
TCH!!
GOT SOME ADDITIONAL POINTS!!
AND MY STARTING HANDS..

CAN YOU PLEASE FABS THE SCORE COUNTER?
?
I THINK WE'LL HAVE TO GO ALL OUT AS WELL.
HOHOHO, FINALLY GETTING SERIOUS, HUH AKAZAKA-SAN?

Hiong Tamping!!

I'M GETTING SLEEPY.
LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH.

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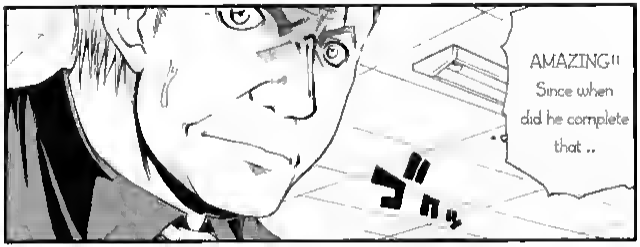
IS THIS...
..AKA-SAKA-KUN?


AMAZING!!
Since when did he complete that ..
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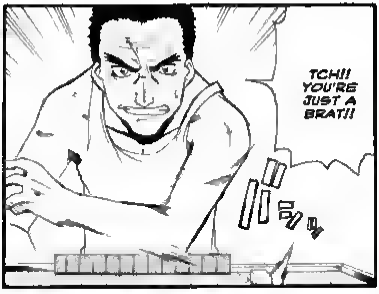
A BRAT?
YOU'RE HOLDING BACK BECAUSE I'M A BRAT, HUH?


TCH!! YOU'RE JUST A BRAT!!
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SO THAT MEANS THIS BRAT...
HEH HEH HEH
...IS SUPERIOR TO YOU?

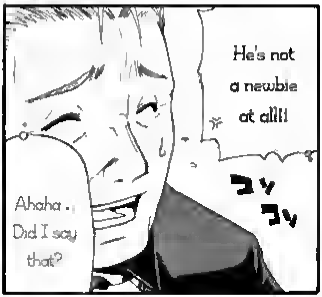
BUT MAYBE THIS IS NOT WHAT YOU EXPECT?
YOU ALL THINK I'M SOME NEWBIE WAITING TO GET OWNED..
OH, AND THAT PAE... (NORTH CARD)
I'LL TAKE IT.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
?

!
THAT PAE...
IT ALREADY DROPPED TWO.
EE PEI GOU!
WAITING FOR THE LAST CARD TO BE DROPPED....
THIS IS "TANKIMACHI"?
(LONE RIDER)

NO...
THIS IS
"THE WAITING
FROM HELL
JIKOKUMA-
CHI"!!

The sheep we'd seen now turns out to be monster!!

Cloud !! This is not what you said it would be!!


He's not a newbie at all!!
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Ahaha. Did I say that?

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I really didn't want to use it with kids, but...

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It can't be helped...
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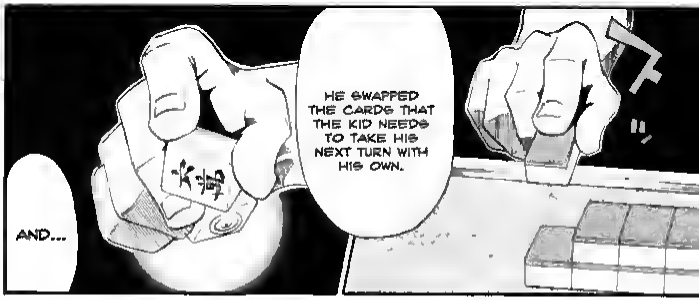
Good job, Cloud!!


AND...
HE SWAPPED THE CARDS THAT THE KID NEEDS TO TAKE HIS NEXT TURN WITH HIS OWN.

OPEN REED FOR COIN 1, 4 AND 7!!
HERE WE GO, KID!!

Coin one?!
The one waiting by open REED?
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Open?
THAT IF YOU'VE BEEN OPEN REED YOU HAVE TO PAY YAKUMAN (MULTIPLE FOUR).
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KIDDO.
YOU KNOW, RIGHT?
I KNOW THAT.
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WAITING FOR ONE CARDS ..
YOU HAVE NOWHERE TO GO NOW.
HMM.. YOU MANAGED TO GET AWAY.
BUT.
?
I GET IT NOW.
Saw through it?
He ..
YOU GUYS ARE GOING THIS FAR..!!
but since it somes to this..
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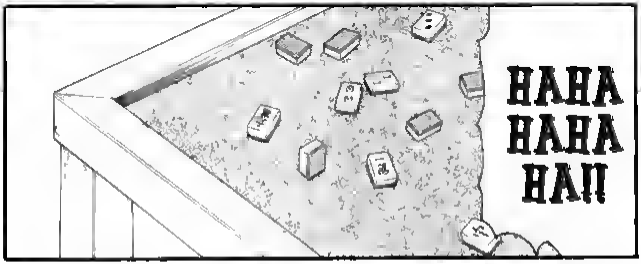
I CAN'T LET MAID-CHAN AND BUNNY-CHAN...
GET AWAY FROM MY GRASP!!
NOW!!
YOUR TURN!!
NOW THE ONE AKAGAKA IS WAITING FOR WILL BE OPEN REED AGAIN...
NOWHERE TO RUN
.....
TAKE IT!!
.....
GRRR...

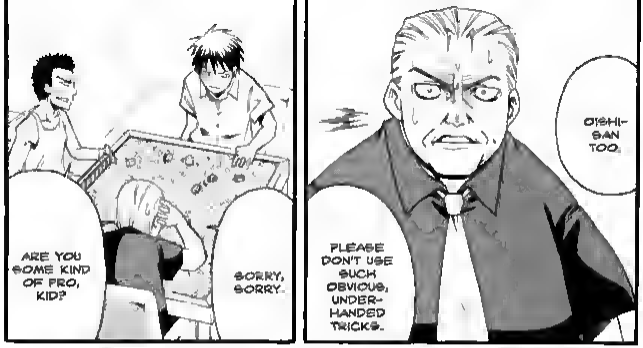
<ACHOOO!!>
HEY!!
Whatcha doing !!
The cards are messed up!!
SORRY.

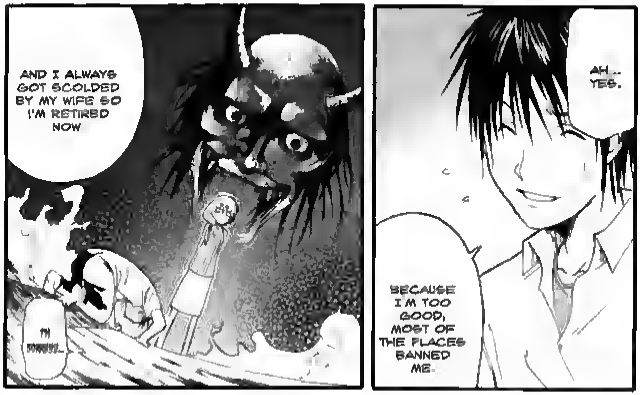
I'VE GOT A PENALTY, RIGHT? AND I'M FIRST HAND TOO SO IT'S MINUS 4000 POINTS FOR ME.
MY SNEEZING SEEMS TO HAVE RUINED THE GAME.


HAHA HAHA HA!!

NOT BAD, KID!!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!! YOU HAVE A SECRET MOVE TO DODGE YAKUMAN!!


ARE YOU SOME KIND OF PRO, KID?
SORRY, SORRY.
PLEASE DON'T USE SUCH OBVIOUS, UNDER-HANDED TRICKS.
OISHI-SAN TOO.


AND I ALWAYS GOT SCOLDED BY MY WIFE SO I'M RETIRED NOW
I'M SORRY...
AH... YES.
BECAUSE I'M TOO GOOD, MOST OF THE PLACES BANNED ME.

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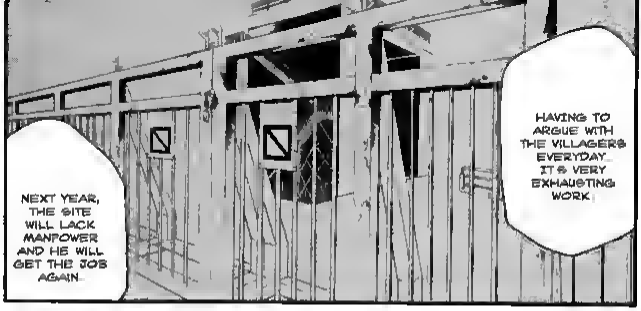
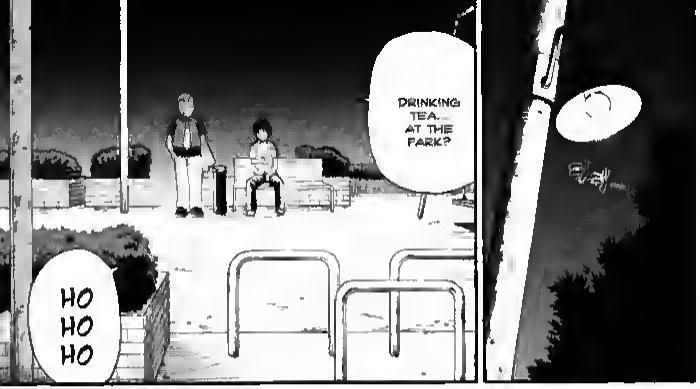
WHERE DID YOU GET THIS SKILLFUL?
WHAT?

Someone interesting is trying to infiltrate Hinamizawa.
I thought he was just your typical greenhorn at first.
But now...
SORRY, WE'RE CLOSING NOW!!
I HAVEN'T BEEN BEATEN UP THIS BAD FOR A LONG TIME!!
THE OLD MAN IS HINAMIZAWA'S DAM FOREMAN. AND SATO-SAN IS MY INFORMANT.
WORK?
THEY PAY HARD!! EVEN IF IT'S TIRESOME, I'LL DO IT ANYWAY!
ANOTHER LONG DAY TOMORROW. KEEP IT UP.


HAVING TO ARGUE WITH THE VILLAGERS EVERYDAY... IT'S VERY EXHAUSTING WORK.
NEXT YEAR, THE SITE WILL LACK MANPOWER AND HE WILL GET THE JOB AGAIN.

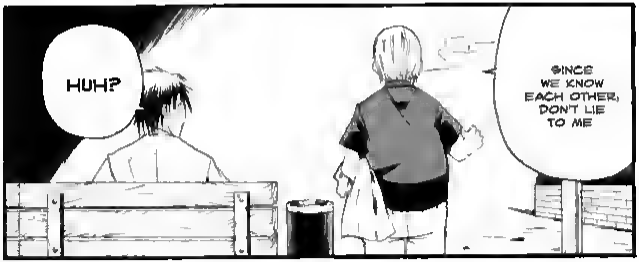
THE "PROTECT ONIGAFUCHI WITH OUR LIVES" ORGANIZATION, RIGHT?
HE'S BEEN HIT, SCOLDED, HAD ROCKS THROWN AT HIM...
I COULDN'T STAND IT IF I WERE HIM.

LET'S DRINK SOME TEA AND TALK, SHALL WE?
HEH
MY TREAT
I LOST THE SET, GUESS I'LL HAVE TO WORK.

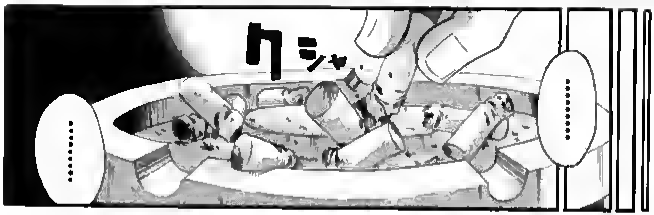

DRINKING TEA... AT THE PARK?
HO HO HO

AKASAKA-SAN DOESN'T PLAY JOKES, DOES HE?
..and I got all worked up.

LET'S FIND SOME BUNNY-CHANS!! DON'T TELL THE OLD MAN ABOUT THIS.
I DECLINE.


HUH?
SINCE WE KNOW EACH OTHER, DON'T LIE TO ME

You said you came because of a complaint to the authorities.
You lied, right?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OKAY, LET'S CHANGE THE TOPIC.
IN FACT, YESTERDAY THERE WAS A MEETING OF THE GONDZAKI FAMILY.

I SEE YOU'RE NOT GOOD AT LYING.
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THEIR FAMILY MEETINGS ARE NOT SIMPLY TALKING OVER SOME TEA.
BUT THE GATHERING OF RULERS TO LEAD THE VILLAGE.

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BECAUSE THERE'S SOMETHING INTERESTING BEING DISCUSSED
SOME-THING INTEREST-ING?
hehh hehh
AND DID THAT MEETING HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH MY WORK?

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HAH..?

YESTERDAY IN THE MEETING, ORYO-SAN SAID —
I'LL TELL YOU AGAIN
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"About police's special force that is investigating the abduction of the Minister's grandson..."

About the kidnapping of the Minister's grandson

"Looks like the new guy is coming in."
"Let the fish swim for now."
IT'S ABOUT YOU, AKASAKA.

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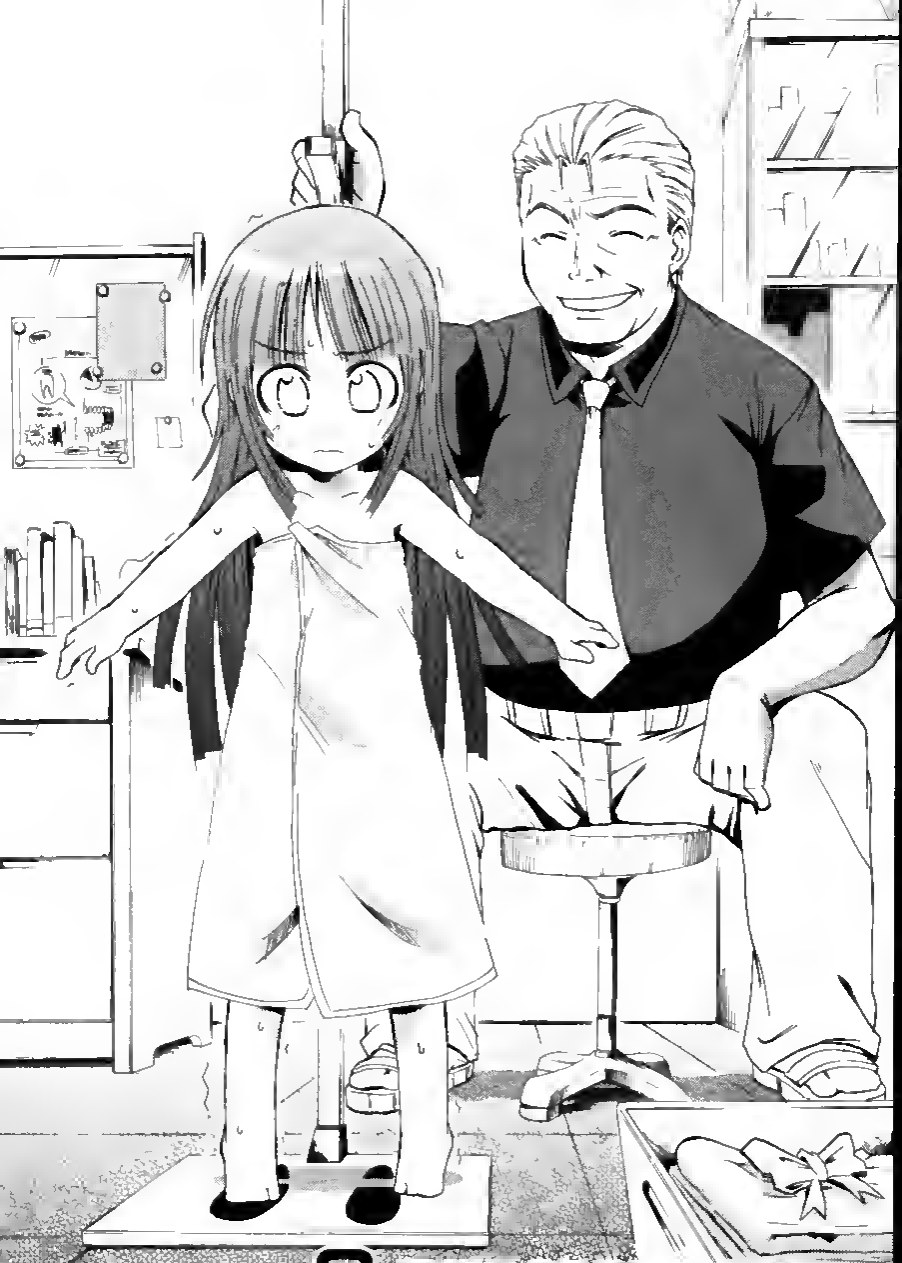

3 RESOLUTION

MII!
OH MY!

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RIKA-CHAMA REALLY LIKES THE FUTON.
THERE, THERE.
GRANDMA.

I HAVE SOMETHING I'D LIKE YOU TO HEAR.
MION...
WHAT IS IT?
RIGHT NOW WHEN I'M PLAYING WITH RIKA-CHAMA OF ALL TIMES...
KUU……
……
whisper
whisper

KUKUKU...
WHAT A TROUBLE-SOME THING WE HAVE HERE.
WE COULD SAY THAT, TO US, THE TURMOIL THIS DAM CAUSES NOW IS THE SAME AS OUR MOTHER'S LIFE BEING THREATENED..
WHAT HAPPENED? ORYOU-SAN...
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AND WITH THIS, WE ARE EQUAL.

THEY SAY THE CHIEF CABINET MINISTER OF THE DAM..
IS RUSHING AROUND LIKE CRAZY LOOKING FOR HIS GRANDCHILD WHO'S BEEN KIDNAPPED.
!?
Why...

How does the Sonozaki family know about that?!
.....

There's no way people in Hinamizawa should know that!
Even so, why!?

This case is being kept in absolute secrecy.

Could it be that the Sonozaki family is involved in the kidnapping...!?
Oishi-san!!

I can't be calm now!
I couldn't..

AKASAKA-SAN.
PLEASE, CALM DOWN A BIT

While those guys are doing this...

DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME?
BE QUIET.

I'M GLAD YOU'RE OBEDIENT.
MM HUHU.
.....
...AKASAKA-SAN.
GENERALLY IMPOSSIBLE THINGS DO HAPPEN.
THAT'S HINAMIZAWA FOR YOU.
THEN,
LET'S GO BACK TO THE TALK OF YESTER-DAY?
.....

...HOW-EVER.
BE VERY CAREFUL ABOUT IT.
.....
THERE'S NO PROBLEM IN HIDING HIM BUT I'D NOT LIKE TO LET HIM GET HURT.
.....THEN.
IN ORDER TO INVESTIGATE THE KIDNAPPING OF THE CABINET MINISTER'S GRANDSON..
THEY SAY A PERSON FROM POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS IS COMING FROM TOKYO.

THE POLICE HEADQUARTER CAME HERE?
HOU HOU, DO YOU KNOW WHAT A POLICE HEADQUARTERS IS RIKA-CHAMA?
...SOMEONE CAME?
IT SEEMS THAT A SHINMAI FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE CAME ALONE.
Note: Shinmai means novice but can also means 'new rice', thus the confusion on Rika's mind
Shinmai...
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WARM AND FLUFFY..
rice
SO WARM...
.....
DOES RIKA-CHAMA KNOW ABOUT THAT MAN?
I DON'T KNOW.

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GRANDMA.
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WHAT DO WE DO..
WITH THAT MAN?
LEAVE HIM ALONE BUT...
I DO NOT LIKE BEING RIDICULED AT ALL.
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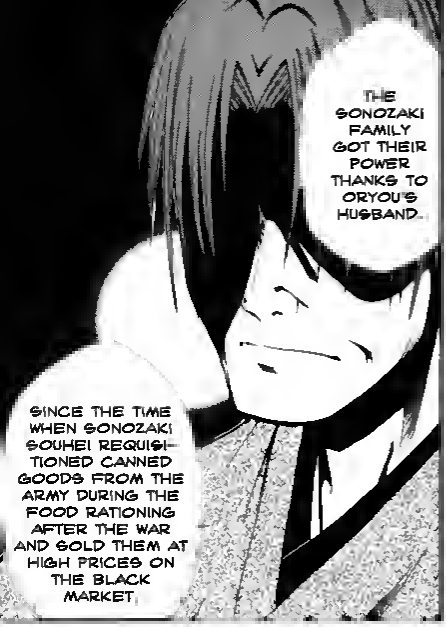
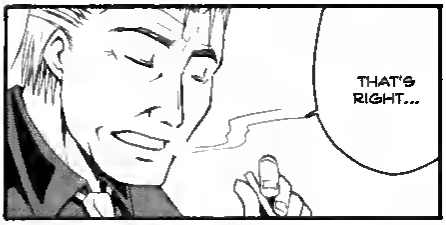
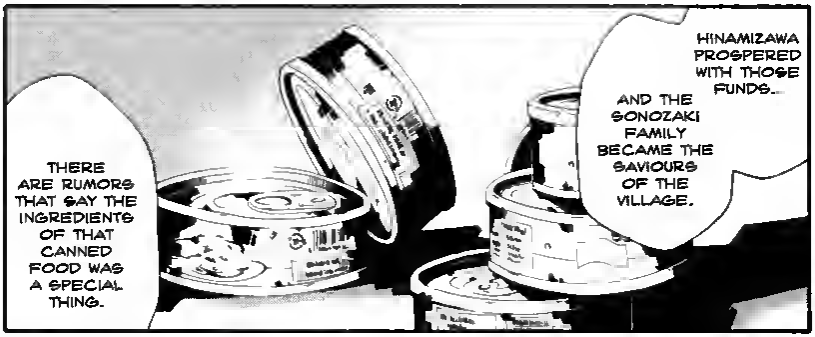
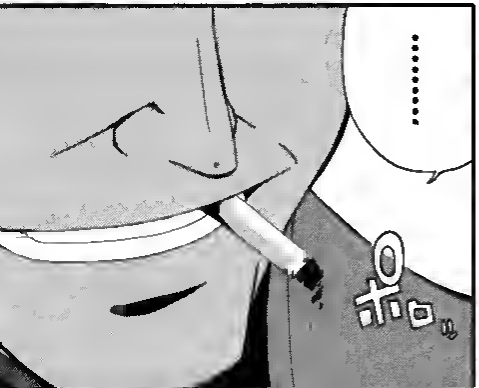
IF HE MAKES TOO MUCH MISCHIEF AROUND..
AT THAT TIME, DO NOT GO LIGHTLY ON HIM.
RIGHT NOW YOU'RE BEING ALLOWED TO SWIM AROUND BY THEM.
.....
..AKABAKA-SAN.


THE SONOZAKI FAMILY GOT THEIR POWER THANKS TO ORYOU'S HUSBAND.
SINCE THE TIME WHEN SONOZAKI SOUHEI REQUISITIONED CANNED GOODS FROM THE ARMY DURING THE FOOD RATIONING AFTER THE WAR AND SOLD THEM AT HIGH PRICES ON THE BLACK MARKET.

...WHAT ON EARTH IS THE SONOZAKI FAMILY?


THAT'S RIGHT...


HINAMIZAWA PROSPERED WITH THOSE FUNDS.
AND THE SONOZAKI FAMILY BECAME THE SAVIOURS OF THE VILLAGE.
THERE ARE RUMORS THAT SAY THE INGREDIENTS OF THAT CANNED FOOD WAS A SPECIAL THING.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WHAT IS IT? THAT INGREDIENT..

IT'S HUMAN MEAT.

Hu...
Human meat?

I WAS THINKING THAT ALSO..
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YOU'RE PROBABLY THINKING IT'S A STUPID STORY, BUT YOU KNOW..

I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH THE SONOZAKI FAMILY WAS INVOLVED.
BUT...
THAT'S WHAT IT MEANS TO INVESTIGATE THE SONOZAKI FAMILY.
Until I got this scar...

I'M GOING TO BUY SOME, I'LL BE BUT A MOMENT.
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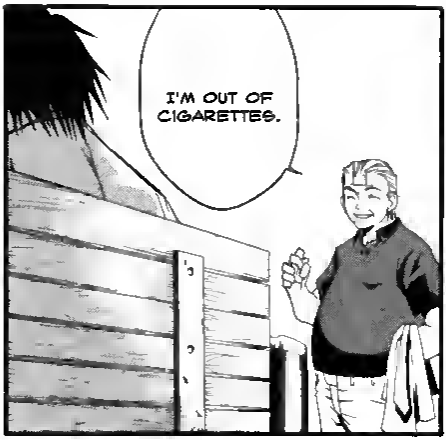
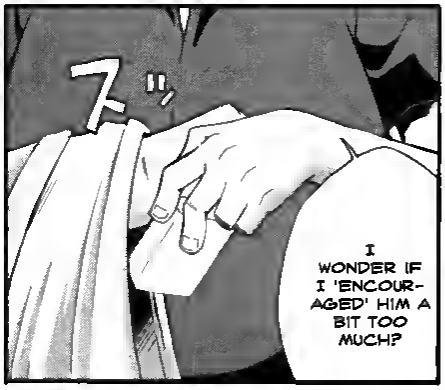
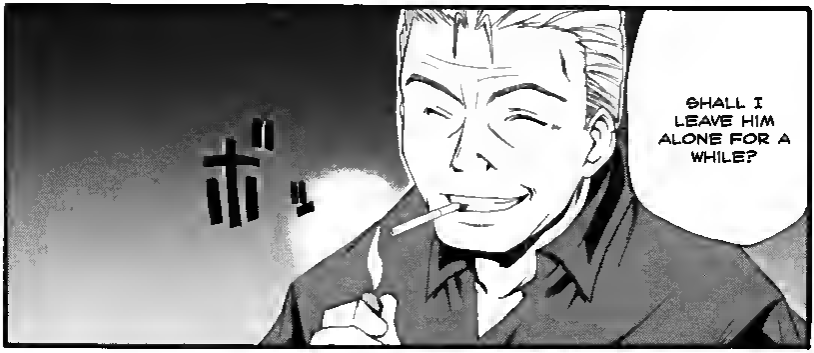

I'M OUT OF CIGARETTES.

OH?


I WONDER IF I 'ENCOUR-AGED' HIM A BIT TOO MUCH?

HMMHUHU.


SHALL I LEAVE HIM ALONE FOR A WHILE?

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In any case...
The Sonozaki family and the villagers of Hinamizawa certainly are suspicious.
What the room monitor was saying was not an exaggeration...
The kidnapping of the cabinet minister's grandson is a case which the details are not known even at our public safety agency...
All the people who know about it must be suspected.

AS LONG AS I'M IN HINAM-IZAWA..
IT WILL SURELY BE EASY TO SECRETLY ERASE ME

Why did she instructed them to let me swim around?
...But, in that case.

110°
Its so hot.

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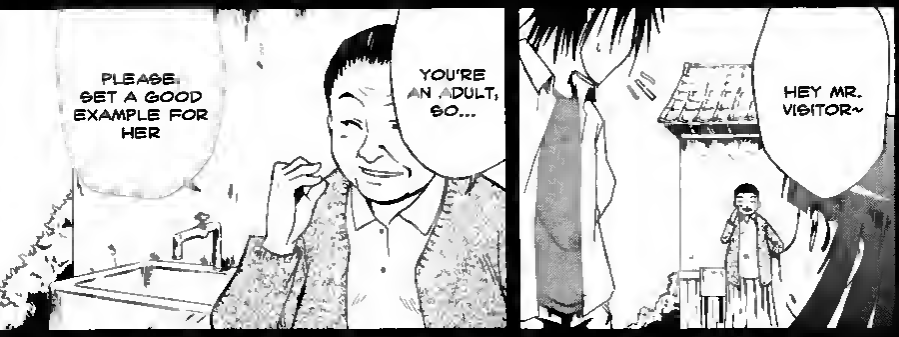
Note: Manjuu is a steamed yeast bun with filling



Mii...
③ Wash it away
Mii...
② Scrub with soap
Mii...
① Wash with water
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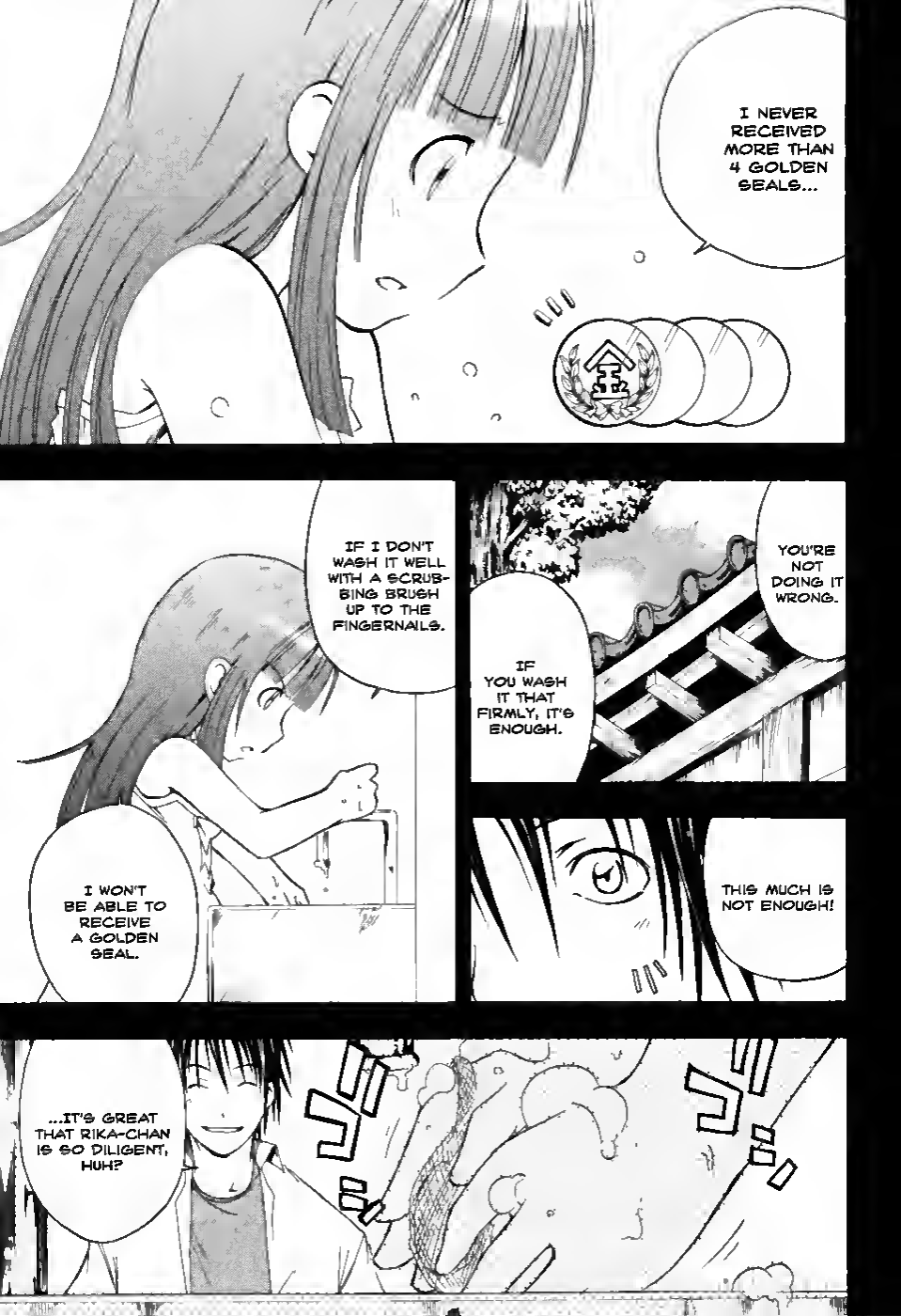
Mii~~!
THE WAY I'M WASHING?
MII... AM I DOING IT WRONG?
EH?


I NEVER RECEIVED MORE THAN 4 GOLDEN SEALS...
IF I DON'T WASH IT WELL WITH A SCRUBBING BRUSH UP TO THE FINGERNAILS.
I WON'T BE ABLE TO RECEIVE A GOLDEN SEAL.
YOU'RE NOT DOING IT WRONG.
IF YOU WASH IT THAT FIRMLY, IT'S ENOUGH.
THIS MUCH IS NOT ENOUGH!
...IT'S GREAT THAT RIKA-CHAN IS SO DILIGENT, HUH?

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I WAS PRAISED BY AKASAKA!
Nipaaaa
RIKA-CHAMA~~
IF YOU DON'T HURRY, THE MANJUU WILL BE GONE.
.....
AH HA HA
HA HA HAA

Were those villagers pretending not to know anything?
I WONDER IF ALL OF THAT WAS THEIR ACTING....
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Rika-chan too...?

Thank you very much!
If I assume that she came to meet me knowing who I was...
MII~!
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If I were to take it that way...
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You will regret coming to this village.
.....

I wonder what did she mean by those words...

OISHI-SAN IS LATE...

!?
Who...
Kuu!!
WHO IS IT!?

OISHI-SAN...
HOW ABOUT ONE MORE CAN?
BUT THAT WAS A NICE MOVE.
PLEASE, DON'T FRIGHTEN ME LIKE THAT...
AS WOULD BE EXPECTED FROM THE ELITE OF PUBLIC SAFETY.
PLEASE, FORGIVE ME...
HMHUHU, I'M SORRY.

LET'S CALL IT A DAY FOR NOW.
BUT, IT SEEMS YOU ARE TIRED FROM YOUR LONG TRIP, HUH?
...YES.
MY CAR IS PARKED NEARBY.
I'LL TAKE YOU TO YOUR HOTEL.
HOTEL

It's very likely that the 'Defend Until Death' alliance is involved in this case.
Tomorrow morning I'll contact the central office and ask for instructions.
TOMORROW, HUH?
I WANT YOU TO COME TOMORROW AS WELL!
I'D BETTER STOP THINK-ING ABOUT THIS FOR TODAY...
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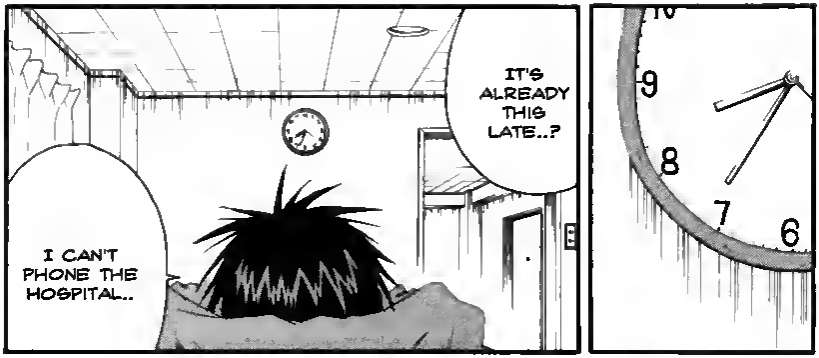
IT'S ALREADY THIS LATE..?
I CAN'T PHONE THE HOSPITAL..
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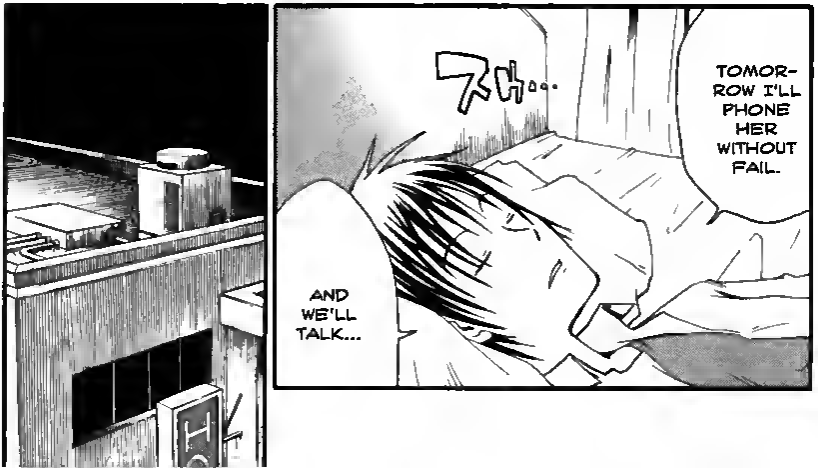
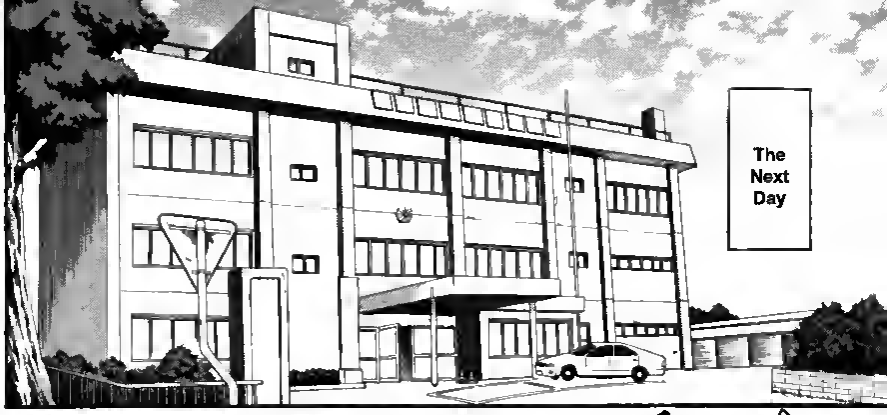
YUKIE...
WAS PROBABLY WAITING FOR MY CALL...

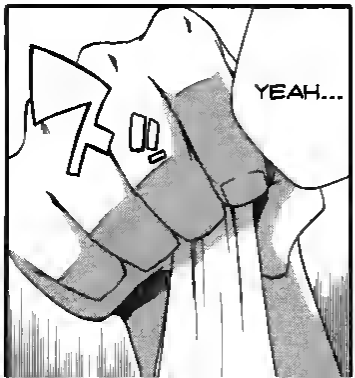

TOMOR-ROW I'LL PHONE HER WITHOUT FAIL.
AND WE'LL TALK...


The Next Day

OH.
YOU'RE EARLY, HUH?

OISHI-SAN!!

THE PRODIGY MAHJONG WARRIOR MAKES HIS APPEAR-ANCE.
MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT..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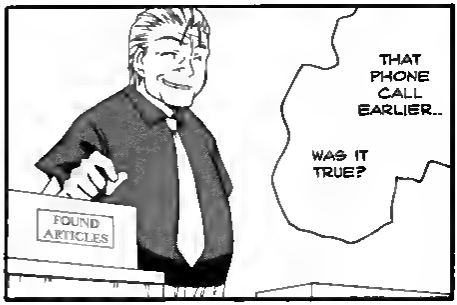
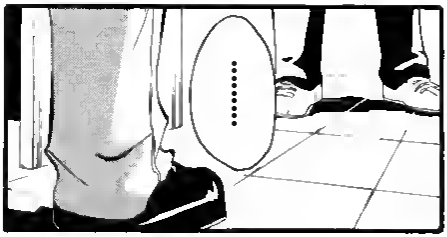

THAT PHONE CALL EARLIER..
WAS IT TRUE?
FOUND ARTICLES

THE GRANDSON OF THE CABINET MINISTER INUKAI...
THE WALLET OF INUKAI TOSHIKI-KUN WAS FOUND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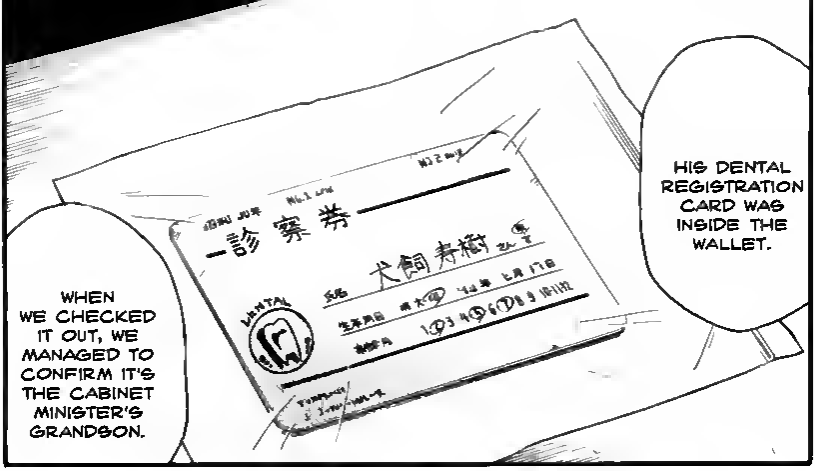
IF BY ANY CHANCE IT'S THE SAME NAME AND SURNAME..
THE SURNAME IS THE SAME.

IT WAS IN THE REMOTE GHOST VILLAGE OF HINAMIZAWA.


HIS DENTAL REGISTRATION CARD WAS INSIDE THE WALLET.
WHEN WE CHECKED IT OUT, WE MANAGED TO CONFIRM IT'S THE CABINET MINISTER'S GRANDSON.
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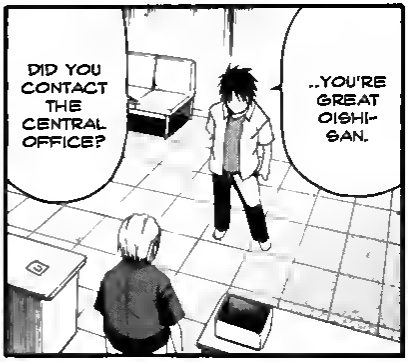
DENTAL

I WOULDN'T BUTT IN THAT MUCH.
HMHUHU
AFTER-WARDS, I'LL LEND YOU THE TELE-PHONE.


..YOU'RE GREAT OISHI-SAN.
DID YOU CONTACT THE CENTRAL OFFICE?

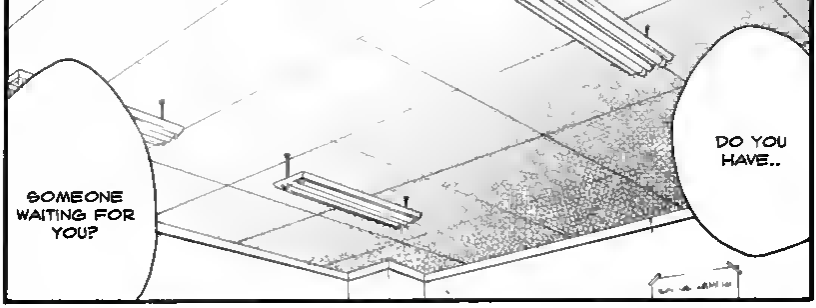
THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDER-ATION,
NOW...
OH? IS THERE STILL SOME-THING?

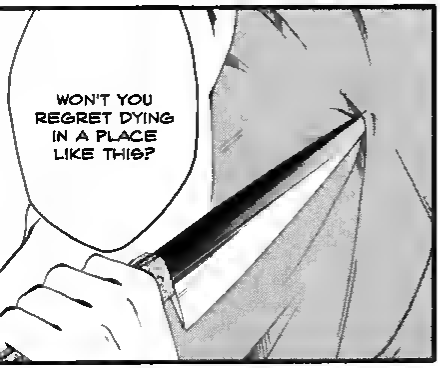
WOULD YOU TAKE ME TO THE PLACE WHERE THAT WALLET WAS FOUND?
LOL
..AKASAKA-SAN.
DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU SAID JUST NOW?
IF THAT STORY FROM YESTERDAY IS TRUE, THEY ALREADY KNOW MY TRUE COLORS...
FOR THAT VERY REASON, TIME IS SH...

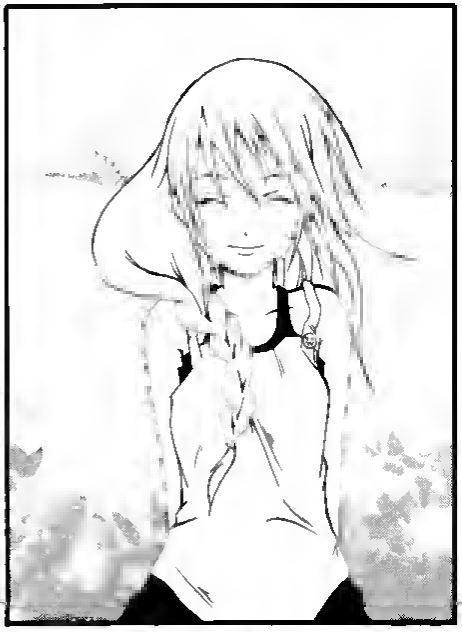
!?
OISHI-SAN, PLEASE STOP WITH THE JOKES..
AKASAKA-SAN.
O...?

AREN'T YOU
MAKING LIGHT OF HINAMI-IZAWA?
...DO YOU KNOW WHAT HINAMIZAWA IS CALLED?
EVEN THE WALLET MIGHT BE A TRAP.
OUR TRUE COLORS ARE EXPOSED...

CANNIBAL...?
"ONIGAFUCHI, WHERE THE CANNIBAL DEMONS LIVE"
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S INDICATING A SECRET MANEUVERING OF THE SONOZAKI FAMILY..
OR IF IT'S ONLY FOLK-LORE..
BUT THAT PLACE OVER THERE IS A PLACE LIKE THAT.


SOMEONE WAITING FOR YOU?
DO YOU HAVE..


WON'T YOU REGRET DYING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?



REGRET..?

You will regret coming to this village.
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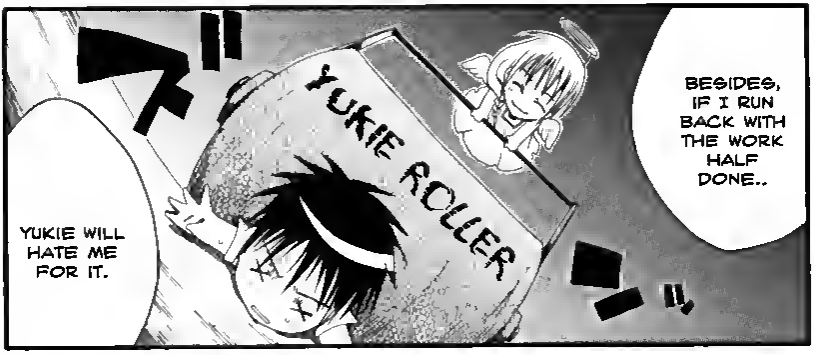
But...
Regret, you say...
Could it be that...

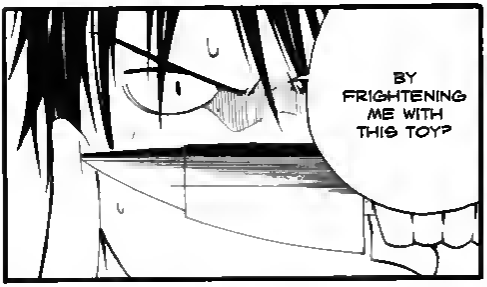
YOU'RE RIGHT.
THERE'S A PERSON WHO IS WAITING FOR ME TOGETHER WITH MY NEW FAMILY.
...I SEE.
THEN LEAVE THE REST TO US.
AND GO BACK TO TOKYO, ELITE BOY.
Even so.

I'll stay.
Because that is my job.

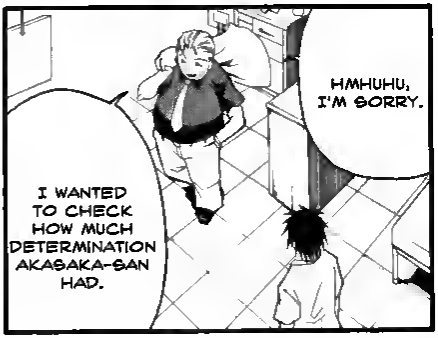

YUKIE ROLLER
YUKIE WILL HATE ME FOR IT.
BESIDES, IF I RUN BACK WITH THE WORK HALF DONE..

WHAT WERE YOU HOPING TO ACCOMPLISH..
OISHI-SAN.

.....NICE ANSWER.

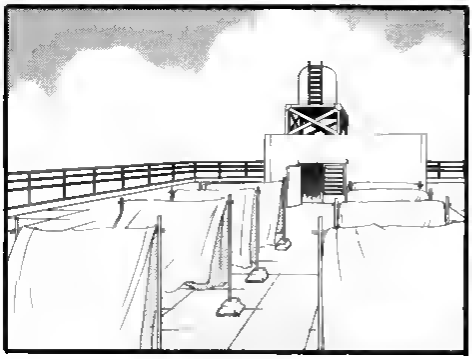

BY FRIGHTENING ME WITH THIS TOY?

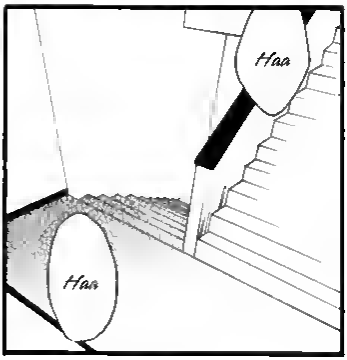
THE FACE YOU HAD NOW WAS COOLER THAN WHEN WE WERE PLAYING MAHJONG.
OISHI-SAN...


HMHUHU, I'M SORRY.
I WANTED TO CHECK HOW MUCH DETERMINATION AKASAKA-SAN HAD.

Let's get on with that thoroughly.
With the extermination of the demons of Hinamizawa

4 WARNING

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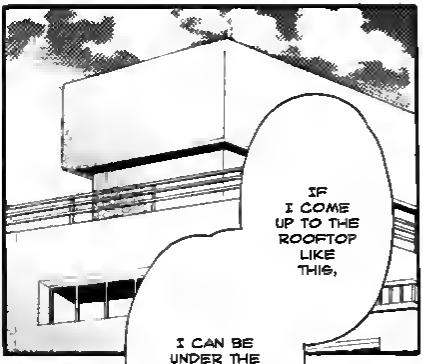
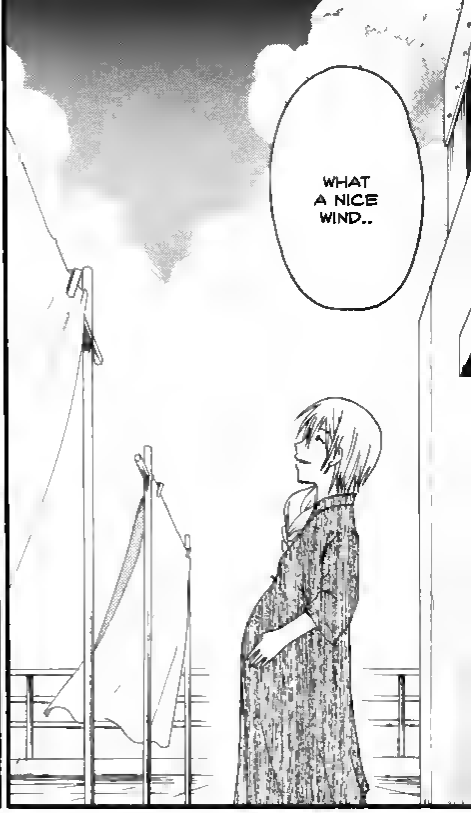
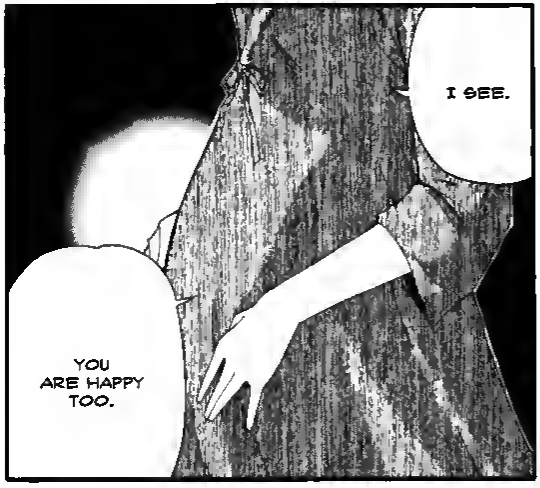
THANKS GOD... THERE'S NOBODY HERE.

IF THEY FIND OUT THAT I CAME UP TO THE ROOFTOP ALONE..
I'LL BE SCOLDED.
YESTERDAY THERE WAS NO PHONE CALL FROM MAMORU-SAN...
HE DIDN'T WANT TO LOOK LIKE A LONELY PERSON BY PHONING ME EVERYDAY.
I WONDER IF HE WAS TOO BUSY?
OR MAYBE..


IF I COME UP TO THE ROOFTOP LIKE THIS,

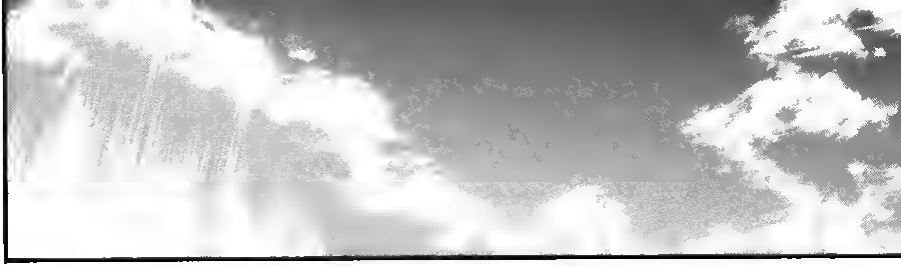
I CAN BE UNDER THE SAME SKY AS MAMORU-SAN WHO IS FAR AWAY.


WHAT A NICE WIND..


I SEE.
YOU ARE HAPPY TOO.

thump
thump

YOU KNOW, YOUR FATHER..
IS A HARD-WORKING MAN.
I'M SURE..
HE IS GIVING HIS BEST AT THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS SKY EVEN NOW.



HE'S LATE.

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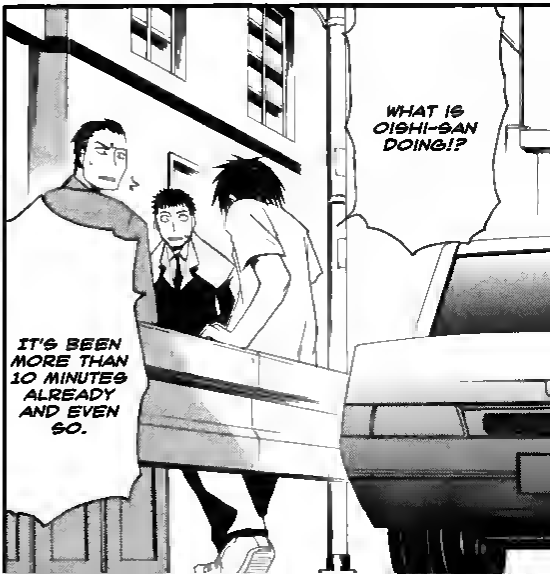
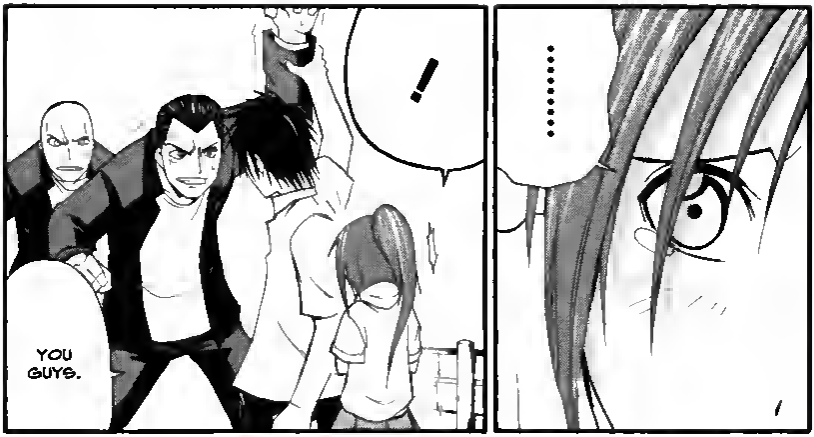
DAMN!


WHAT IS OISHI-SAN DOING!?
IT'S BEEN MORE THAN 10 MINUTES ALREADY AND EVEN SO.

PLEASE BE SAFE..
WHAT IS THAT..?
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU!
CAN'T THE BRATS OF NOWA-DAYS EVEN SAY "I'M SORRY"?

NO...
I DIDN'T DO ANY-THING..
WEREN'T YOU THE ONES WHO CAME AND BUMPED AGAINST ME?
ARE YOU SAYING WE'RE THE BAD ONES?
YOU ARE, AREN'T YOU? HEY!!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YOU GUYS.
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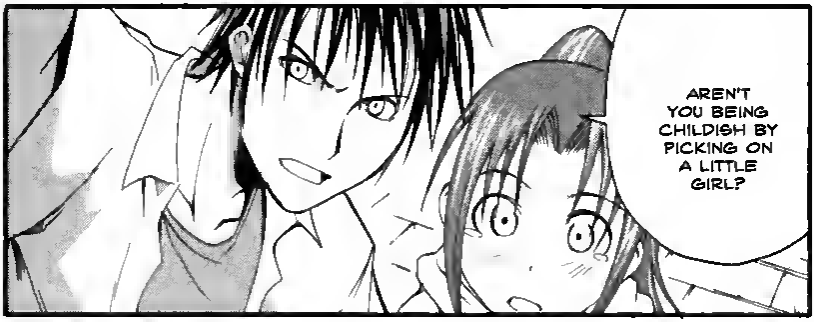
AREN'T YOU BEING CHILDISH BY PICKING ON A LITTLE GIRL?

YOU BAS-TARD...
WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING!!

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HUH?
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IF YOU GIVE ME ANY MORE TROUBLE...
Iih!?
I'M IN A HURRY AND I'M IRRITATED.
IF YOU'RE RUNNING AWAY, NOW IS THE TIME.
AAH?

I HAVE ENERGY LEFT AND I FEEL LIKE BREAKING AN ARM.

EXCUSE ME...
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
We'll Remember This
...SHIT.

I YOU HADN'T SAVED ME, I'D...

BE CAREFUL AND GO BACK HOME.
...YES.

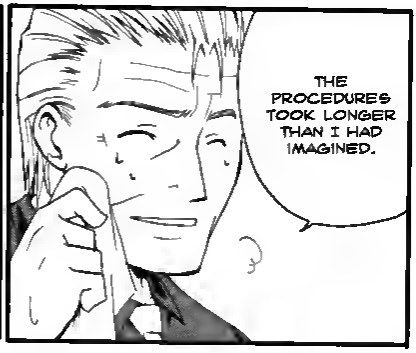
?
IT WAS NOTHING, THIS ALSO LOOKS LIKE MY JOB.

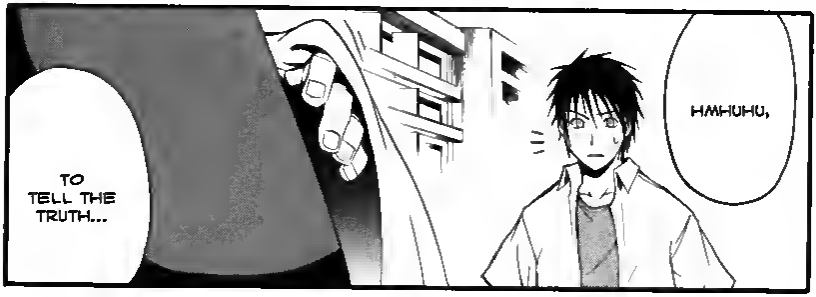
AKASAKA-SAN!

WHAT WERE YOU DOING!?
AND YOU WERE SAYING IT WAS A RACE AGAINST TIME...

OISHI-SAN...
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU WAIT.

PROCE-DURES?

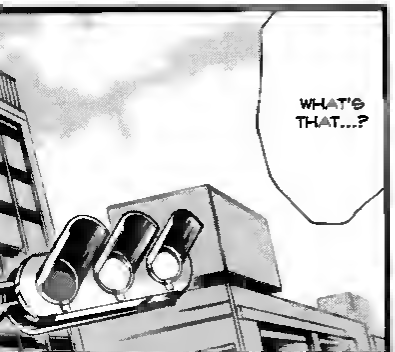

THE PROCEDURES TOOK LONGER THAN I HAD IMAGINED.


HMHUHU,
TO TELL THE TRUTH...

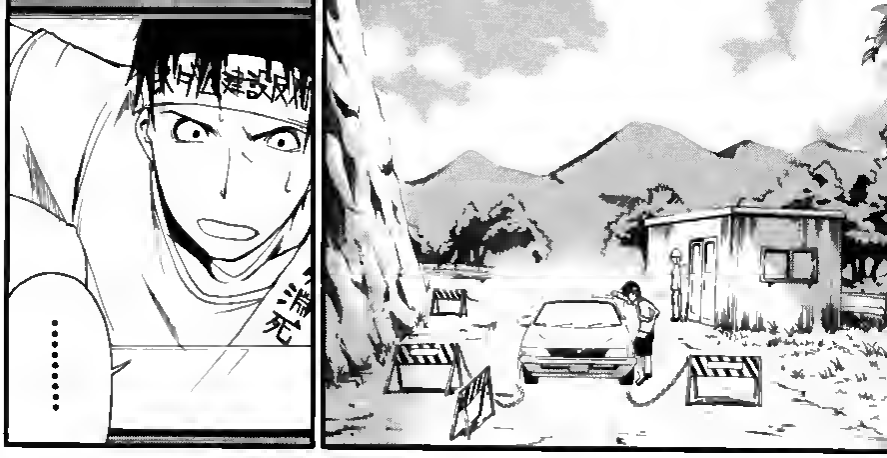
I CAME BRINGING THIS THING.

WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN.

A PISTOL..!?
I DON'T WANT TO USE THIS THING, BUT YOU KNOW WHAT?


WHAT'S THAT...?

I'LL HAND THESE OVER TO AKASAKA-SAN.
SO, BEFORE OUR DEPARTURE.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Haa
Haa
WHAT IS IT? THAT WEIRDO THERE.

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HE IS VERY SHY
PLEASE, DON'T LOOK AT HIM TOO MUCH

PUHAA-..
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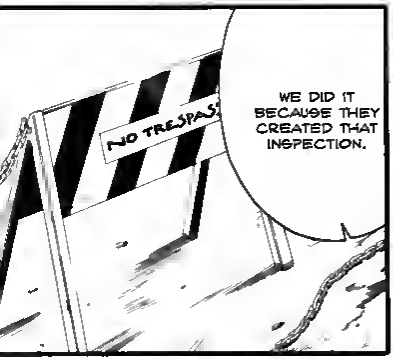
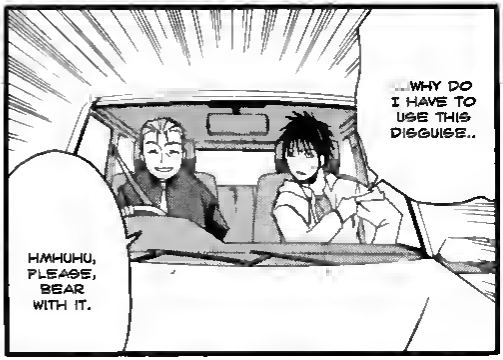
AKASAKA-SAN, YOU CAN TAKE THAT OFF NOW.


NO TRESPASS
WE DID IT BECAUSE THEY CREATED THAT INSPECTION.


...WHY DO I HAVE TO USE THIS DISGUISE..
HMHUHU, PLEASE, BEAR WITH IT.

I SEE..

AS LONG AS THERE'S THE THE POSSIBILITY THAT HINAMIZAWA IS RELATED TO THE KIDNAPPING.
WE NEED TO MOVE WITH PRUDENCE NO MATTER WHAT.

NATURALLY, IN NORMAL CIRCUM-STANCES IT WOULD BE A CRIME.
HM——!
BUT, CAN THEY BLOCK THE ROAD AS THEY WISH?
BUT THEY SAY THAT SINCE TRUCKS THAT MAKE UNLAWFUL GARBAGE DUMP-INGS COME HERE..
THEY MAKE THE INSPECTIONS IN ORDER TO PREVENT THAT.
WELL, I WONDER ABOUT THAT.
IS THAT TRUE?

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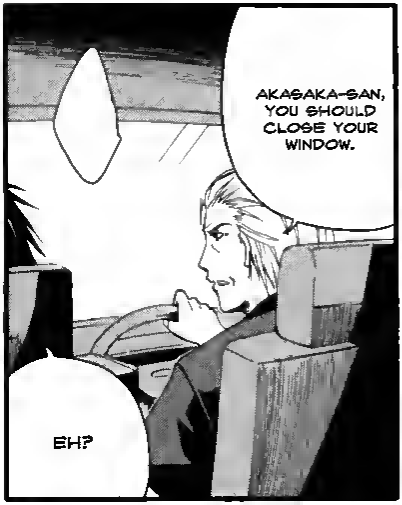
BUT, BEING WHO THEY ARE, IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE FOR THEM TO BE PLAY-ACTING AS WELL.


AKASAKA-SAN, YOU SHOULD CLOSE YOUR WINDOW.
EH?

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WELL, LET'S HURRY, HUH...
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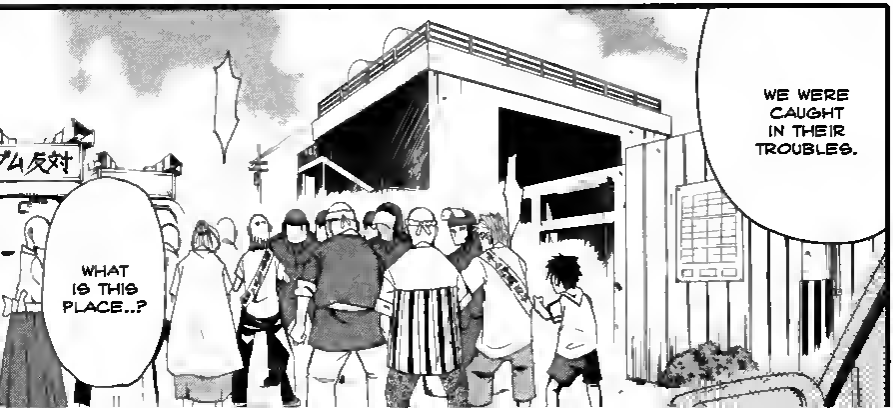
WE WERE CAUGHT IN THEIR TROUBLES.
WHAT IS THIS PLACE..?

STOP IT!!
STOP THE CONSTRUCTION!!
STOP THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HINAMIZAWA DAM!!
!?
THIS PLACE IS THE ACTUAL SITE OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE DAM...

雛見沢ダム
ダム反対
雛見沢ダム
THIS IS HINAMIZAWA'S FRONT LINE.
I HEAR THAT EVEN USING EARPLUGS, THE STARTING GROUP WILL START TO HAVE TROUBLES WITH THEIR EARS.
I APPRECIATE THEIR EFFORTS FROM MORNING TILL NIGHT...
BESIDES.. LOOK!
HMM... OUR PREFECTURE DOESN'T HAVE LAWS FOR NOISE.
CAN'T THEY DEAL WITH IT WITH NOISE RESTRICTION?

THE SOUND STOPPED...?
NO.
FROM HERE ON, IT'S THE REAL SHOW.
A SUTRA...?

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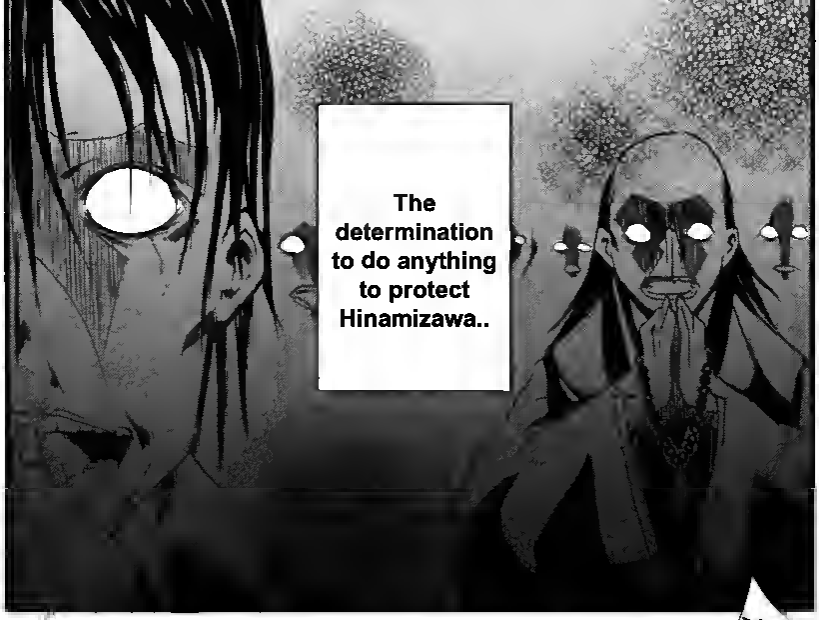
地味な面仏異世界

WHA...
WHAT IS THIS!?
WHEN THIS NOISE KICKS IN, IT DOESN'T STOP.
SINCE IT'S RELIGIOUS ACTIVITY..
WE CAN'T RESTRICT IT TOO.
THEY ARE SMART AS WELL.
BUT IT'S NOT JUST NOISY SOUND.
THEY ATTACK WITH THE HOSTILITY IN THEIR EYES...
I see, this is...


The determination to do anything to protect Hinamizawa..

But...

I was thinking that kidnapping the grandson of the cabinet minister to protect the village was impossible...

IF IT'S THIS VILLAGE, THEY ARE QUITE CAPABLE OF IT.

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THE CAR CAN'T PASS LIKE THIS.
NEVER-THELESS.

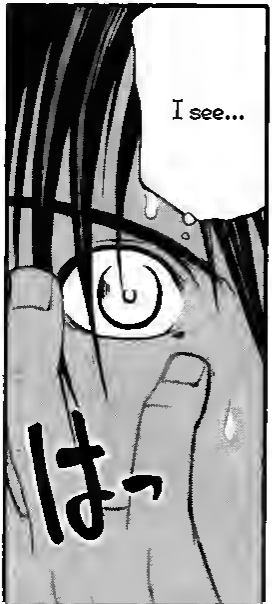
EEH, THAT GIRL..?

AKASAKA-SAN, CAN YOU SEE THE GIRL AT THE FRONT?
A LITTLE QUARREL STARTED..

"SONOZAKI MION"
SHE'S THE NEXT HEAD OF THE SONOZAKI FAMILY.

EVEN THOUGH SHE'S STILL SO YOUNG, SHE'S TAKING PART IN THE OPPOSITION MOVEMENT, AND AT THE FRONT LINE OF ALL PLACES.
TO THINK THAT A CHILD LIKE THAT WILL BE THE ACTUAL LEADER.
WE'VE ALREADY TAKEN HER INTO PROTECTIVE CUSTODY FOR MINOR OFFENCES AND INTERFERENCE WITH A PUBLIC SERVANTS MANY TIMES BUT,
ON TOP OF THAT, SHE IS STUBBORN TOO.
WE NEED TO KEEP AN EYE ON HER.
It can't be...

Is that the kid from this morning..?


I see...
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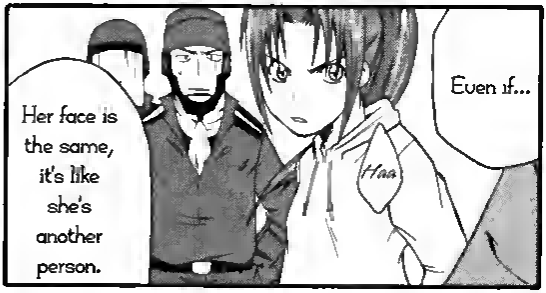
No... that's not it.


Her face is the same, it's like she's another person.
Even if...
Haa

It's just like Rika-chan at that time...
...I'LL GO OUT AND CLEAR THE WAY.
.....
Haa
Haa

IT LOOKS LIKE THIS WAS A STRONG STIMULUS FOR AKASAKA-SAN.

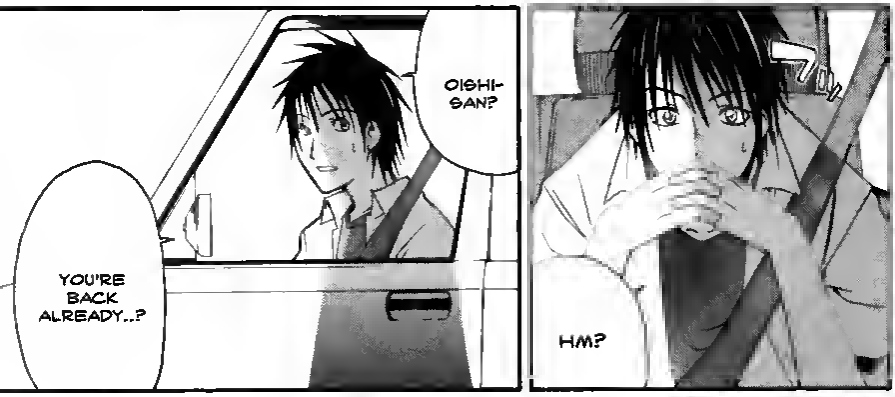
VERY WELL.

AT ANY RATE, IT'S HOT HERE, BUT I'LL MAKE THINGS GET BETTER.

I'M IN A HURRY YOU KNOW.
SO, LET'S CLEAR THE WAY HERE QUICKLY!

I HAVE TO BE FIRM...

IT'S NO USE TO THINK AT THIS PLACE.
WE HAVE TO MOVE.


OISHI-SAN?
YOU'RE BACK ALREADY..?
HM?

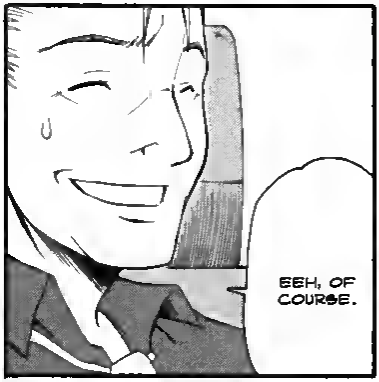
Why are you at this place...
Rika-chan...!?
YOU...
YOU KNOW...

……
She's not noticing me... No, that's not it.
EH?
WHAT... DID YOU SAY JUST NOW?

COULD YOU REPEAT THAT FOR ME?
SORRY... I COULDN'T HEAR IT WELL.
I wonder what she said...
AAH...

THEY SAY THEY WILL SOON CLEAR THE WAY FOR US.

AAAH,
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU WAIT.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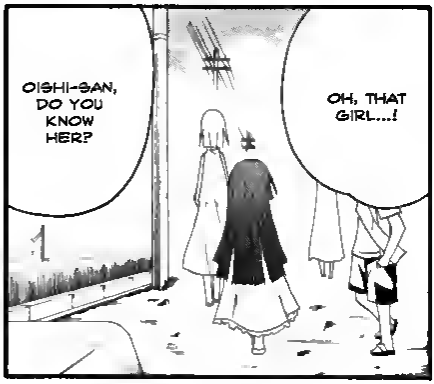
OISHI-SAN, DO YOU KNOW HER?
OH, THAT GIRL...!

IN A SENSE, SHE'S A CHILD WHO IS MORE FAMOUS THAN SONOZAKI MION.

SHE'S THE ONLY CHILD OF THE FURUDE SHRINE...
EEH...
REINCARNATION?
THEY SAY SHE IS THE REINCARNATION OF THE GUARDIAN GOD OF HINAMIZAWA, OYASHIRO-SAMA.
WELL, IT'S A SUPERSTITION THAT THE OLD PEOPLE BELIEVE HERE.
EEH...
SUPER-NATURAL POWERS?
ACCORDING TO THAT SUPERSTITION, THAT GIRL CAN EVEN USE SUPERNATURAL POWERS.

THEY SAY SHE CAN PREDICT THE FUTURE.

The dam project will be canceled.
This is already decided.

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...WELL, IT'S ABOUT TIME TO GO.
IT'S AN ABSURD STORY, DON'T YOU THINK.
WELL.
.....
If that is true..
Rika-chan should have known about the kidnapping...
Predict the future... huh?
Speaking of that..

I couldn't hear because of the noise, but..
It wasn't that long of a thing.
What did Rika-chan say earlier?
WARNING
If I'm not mistaken..

Even though I gave you a warning.
Stupid man.

At that time
I was not understanding the real meaning
of that little girl's warning yet.
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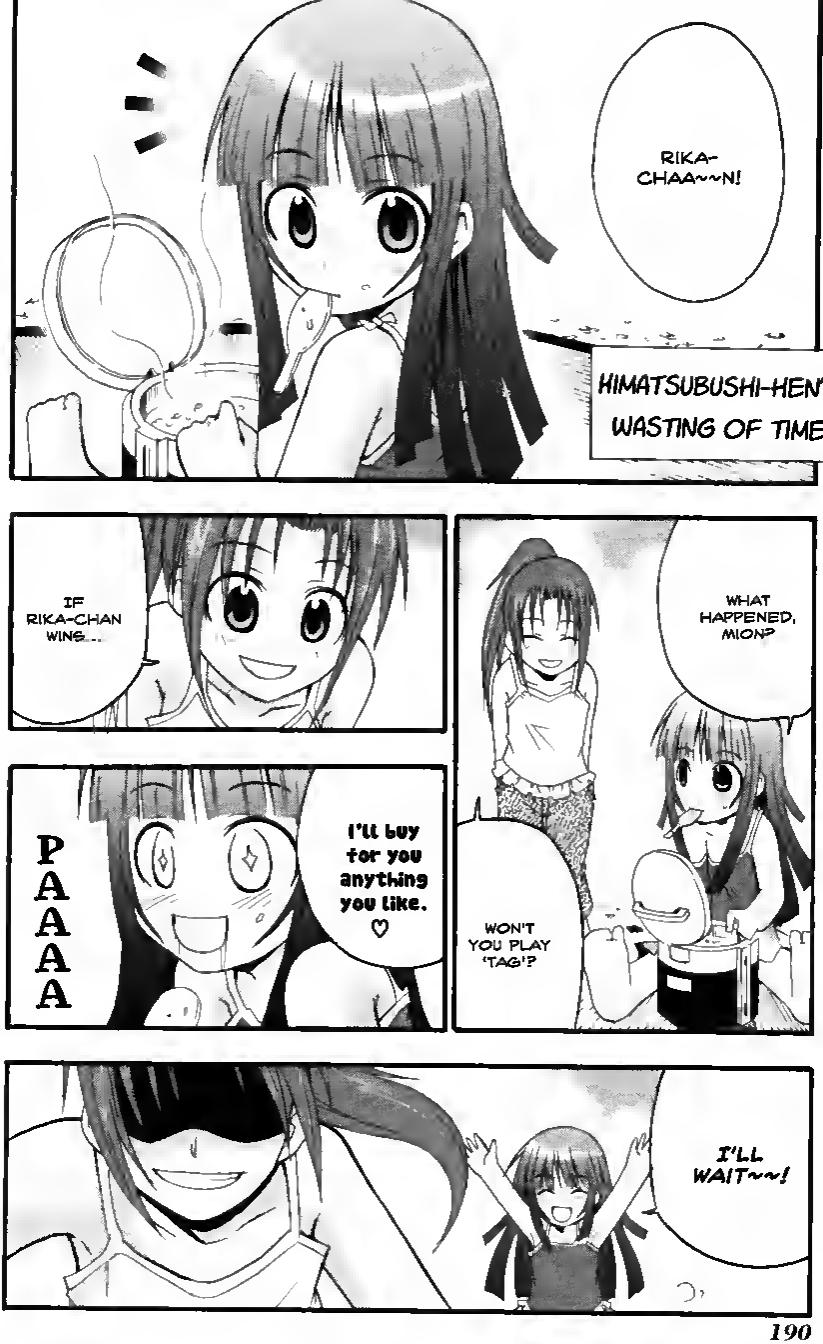
RIKA-CHAAN~N!
HIMATSUBUSHI-HEN'S WASTING OF TIME
IF RIKA-CHAN WINS...
PAAAA
I'll buy for you anything you like. ♡
WHAT HAPPENED, MION?
WON'T YOU PLAY 'TAG'?
I'LL WAIT~n!

OVER HERE!
OVER HERE!
Haa
Haa
Haa
Haa
OVER HERE!
OVER HERE!

ARE YOU DRUNK...?
Bunny-chaann!
OISHI-SAN, PLEASE WAKE UP!!
OISHI-SAN.
MRRR...
HM.
PLEASE, HANG IN THERE!
MION IS BULLYING ME...!
AKA-SAKA!!
Ah!
Haa
Haa
Eh?

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